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- [54] **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR TRACKING AN AIMPOINT ON AN ELONGATE STRUCTURE**
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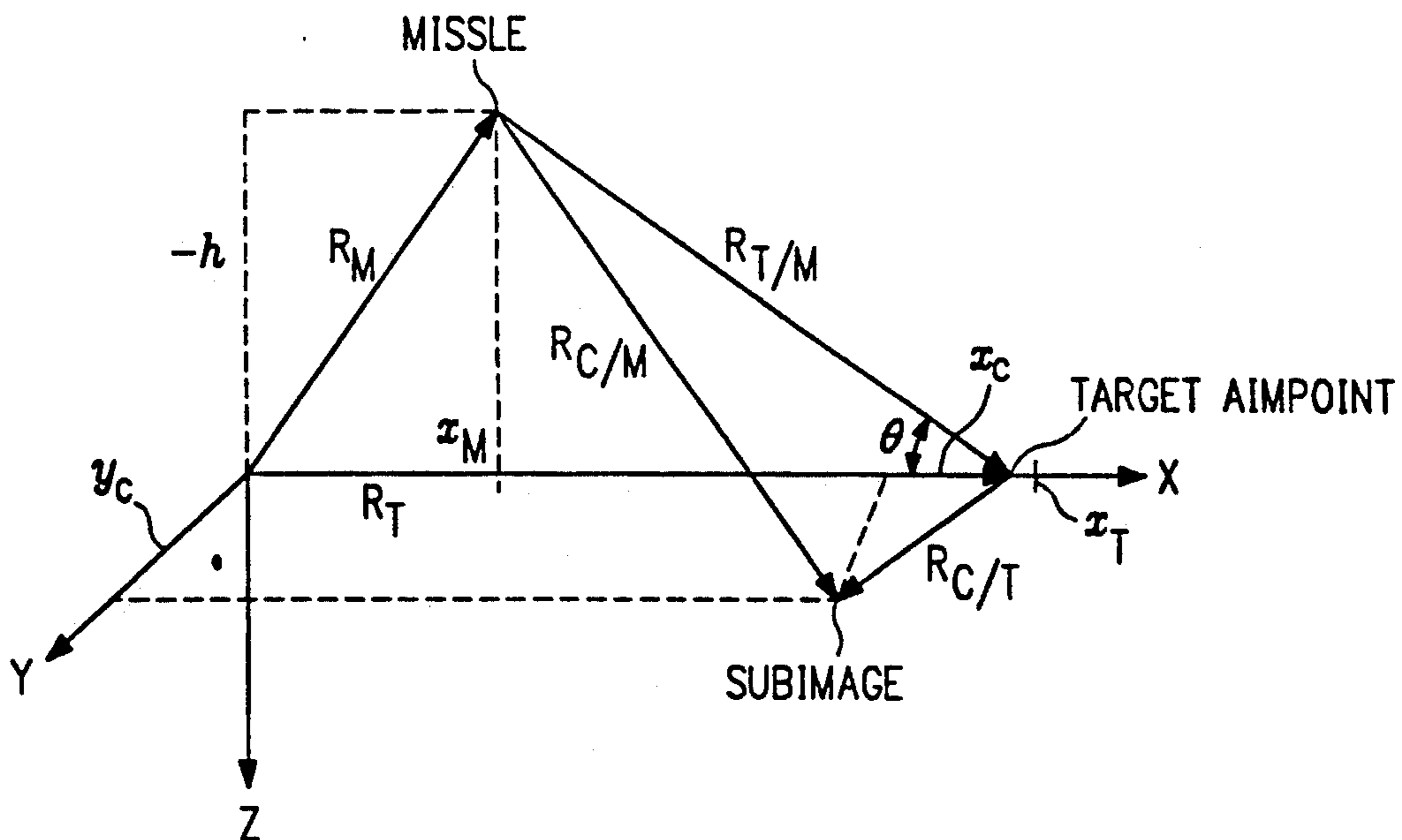
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[57] **ABSTRACT**

A method is disclosed for tracking an aimpoint on an elongate target with a set of arbitrarily related subimages in the field of view of the tracker. A dimensional relationship between the subimages and the aimpoint is initially determined and saved for later calculations. Subsequently, at least one of the aimpoints is reacquired. The aimpoint at the subsequent time is then determined using the position of the later acquired subimage, the saved dimensional relationship and indirectly on the position of the subimage in the field of view of the tracker.

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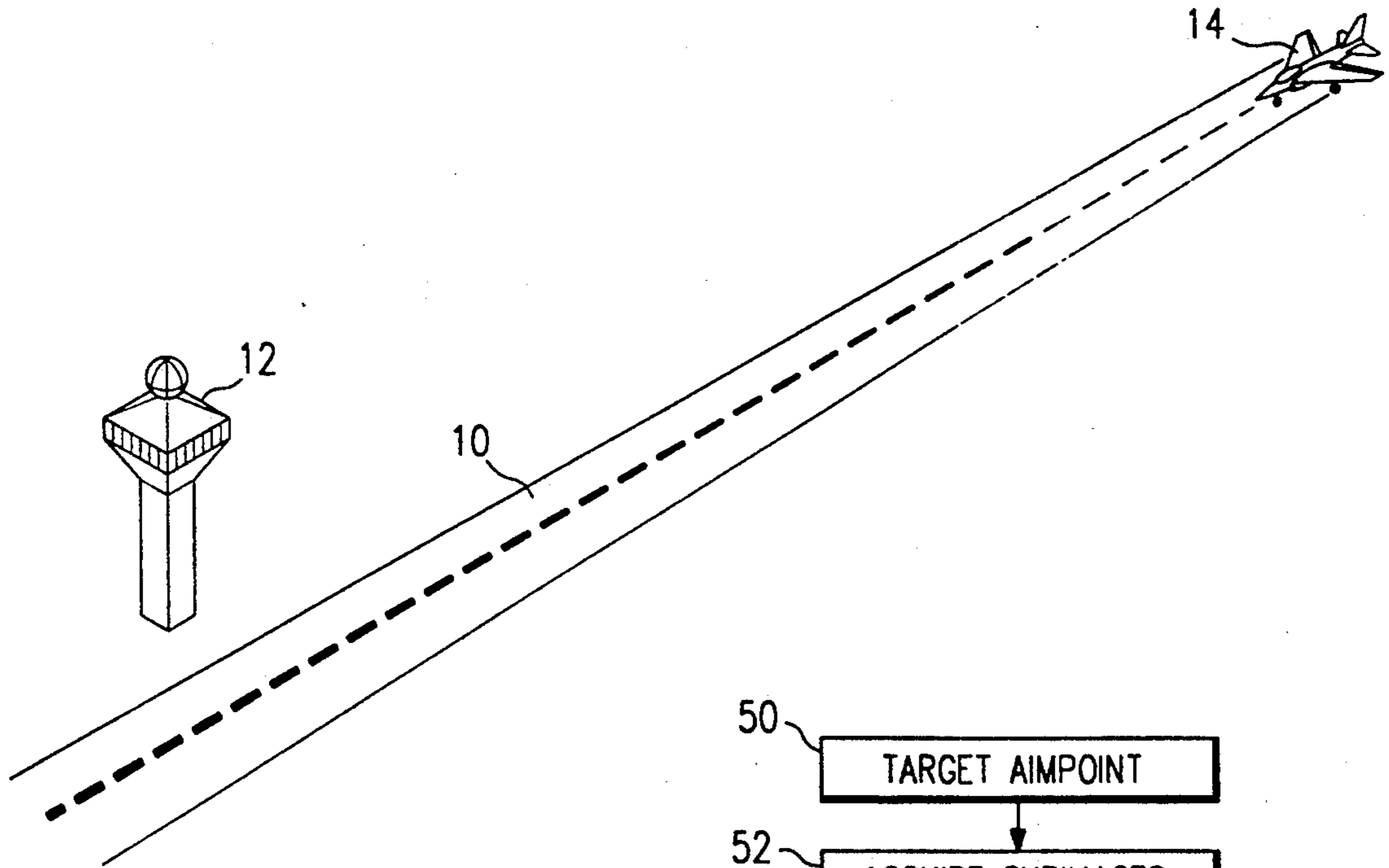


FIG. 3

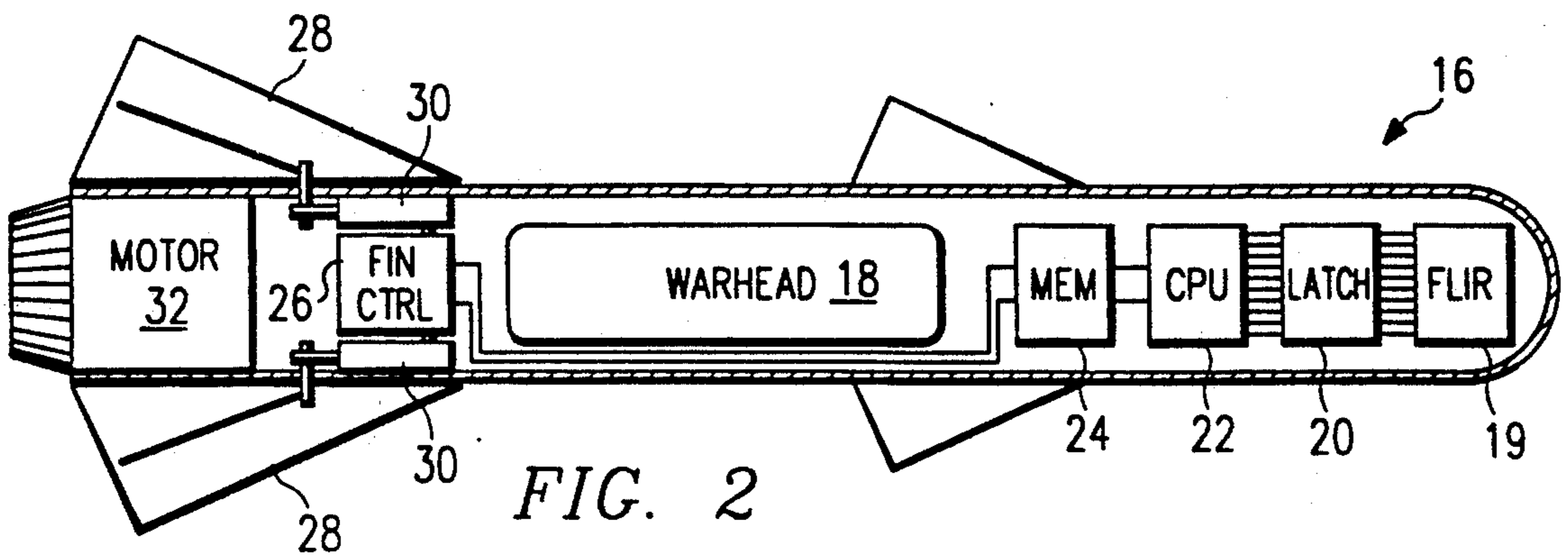
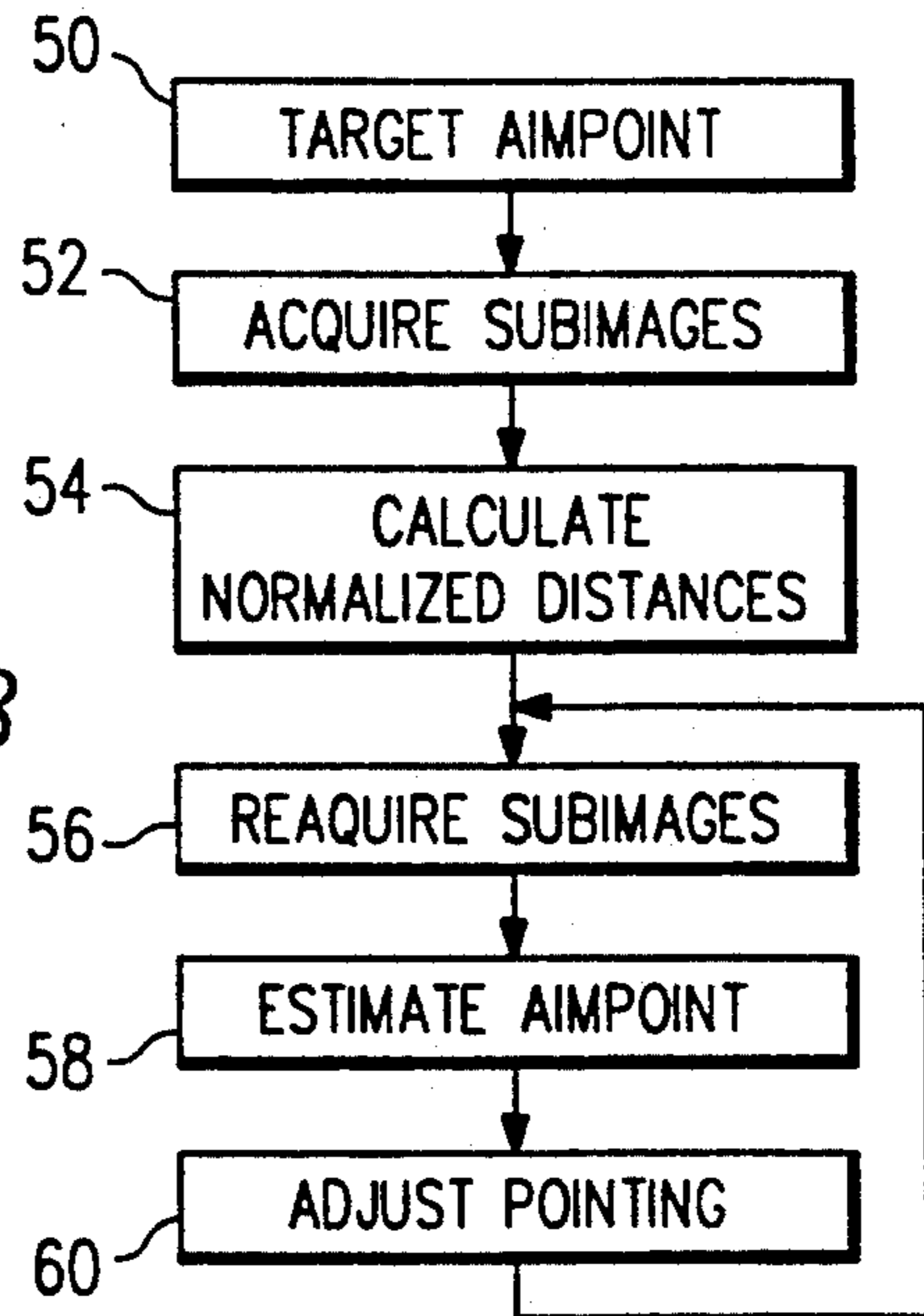


FIG. 2

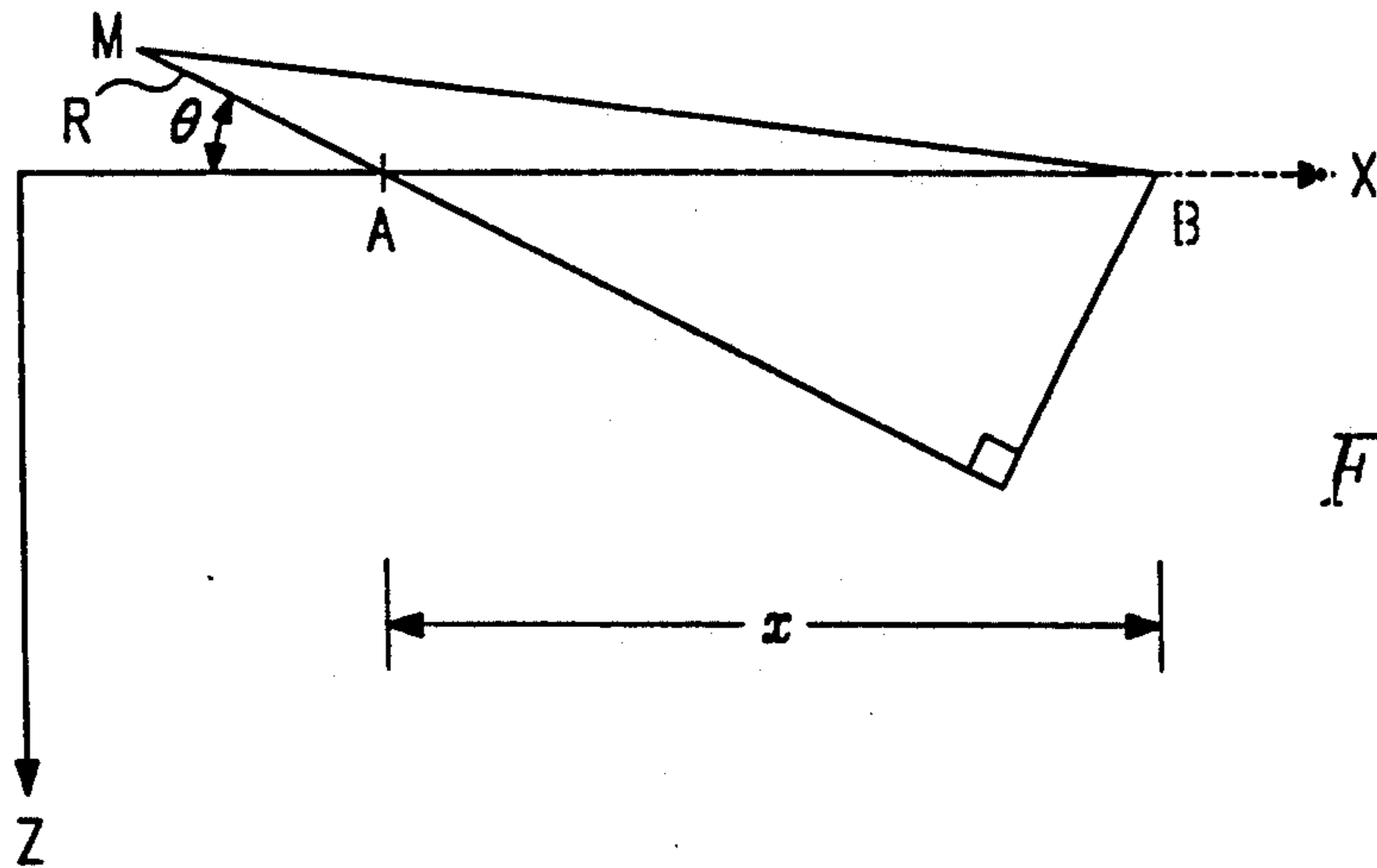


FIG. 4

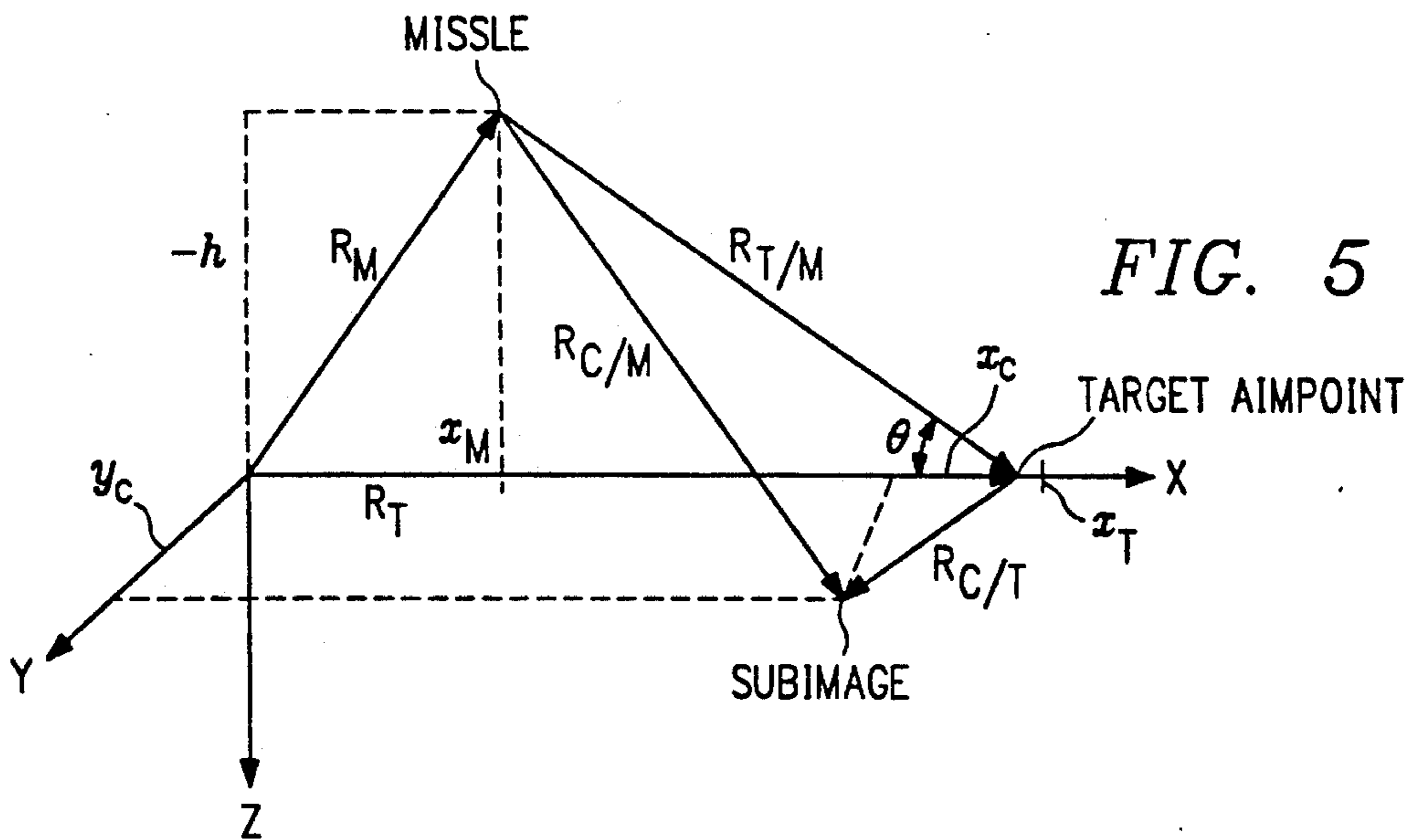


FIG. 5

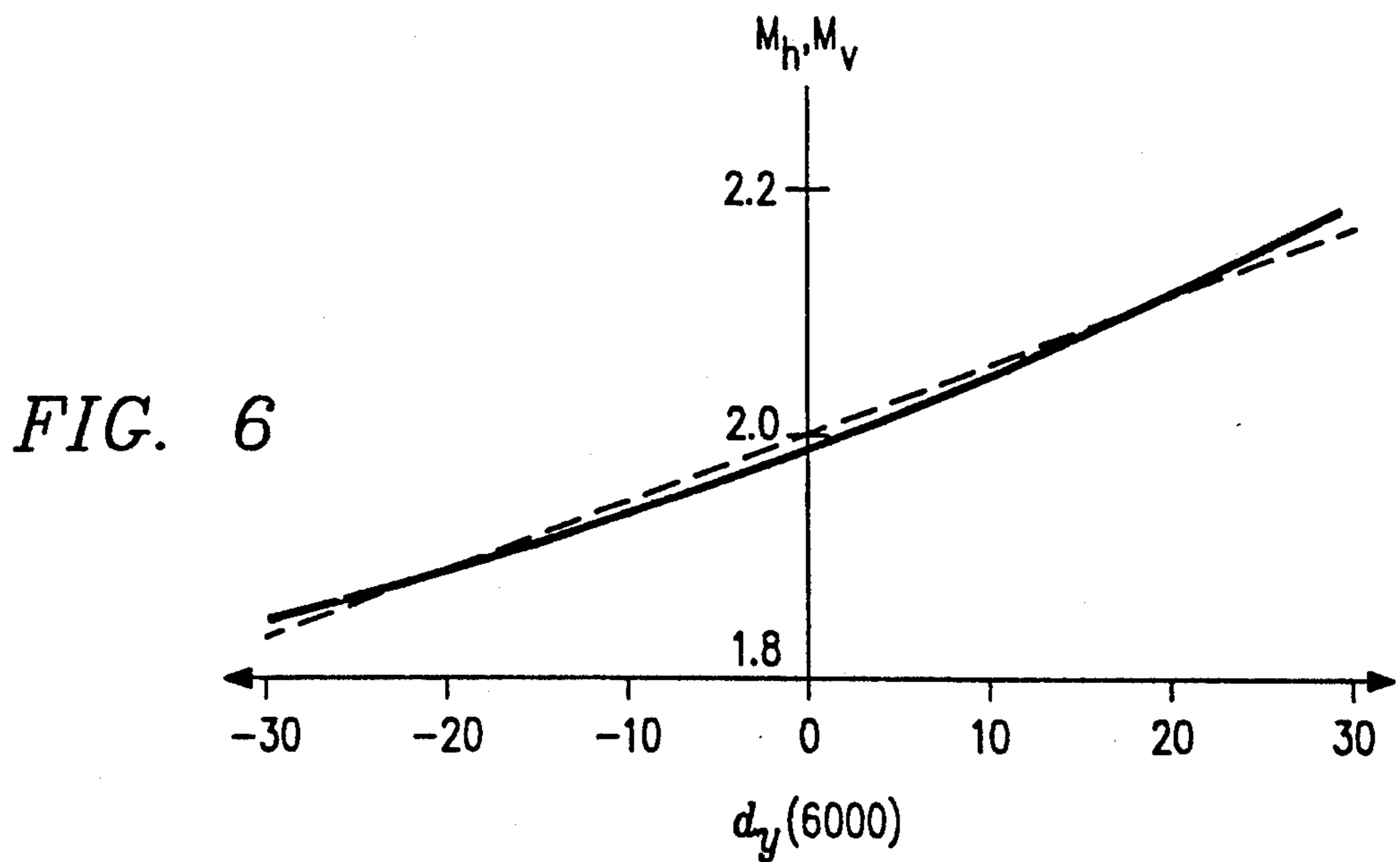


FIG. 6

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR TRACKING AN AIMPOINT ON AN ELONGATE STRUCTURE

RELATED APPLICATIONS

This Application is related to U.S. Pat. No. 5,211,356, filed Aug. 30, 1991, entitled "Method and Apparatus for Rejecting Aimpoint Subimages", and is incorporated by reference herein.

This Application is related to U.S. Pat. No. 5,213,281, filed Aug. 30, 1991, entitled "Method for Tracking an Aimpoint with Arbitrary Subimages", and is incorporated by reference herein.

TECHNICAL FIELD OF THE INVENTION

This invention relates to imaging and guidance systems and more particularly to tracking an aimpoint on an elongate structure with arbitrary subimages.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

In certain computer control applications, it is necessary to track and measure the image of an object passively. It is especially important in weapons delivery systems that a target be so tracked. If such a target were tracked actively, (i.e., using radar or laser range finding techniques) the target might detect the presence of the tracker. Once the target has detected the presence of the tracker, it can respond in one of several ways, all of which are deleterious to the tracker. For instance, the target might "jam" the tracker by bombarding it with signals that are comparable to those which the tracker is actively using or the target might fire its own weapon at the tracker, at the source of the tracking signal, or, even at the launching site of the tracker. In this way, the target could defeat the tracker, destroy the tracker or perhaps even destroy the launch site of the tracker, including the operating personnel.

Passively tracking a target, however, imposes at least one serious limitation on the tracker. A tracker cannot accurately determine the distance or "range" to a target if it cannot actively sense the object. An active tracker, for instance, could determine the distance to a target by measuring the elapsed time from the emission of a radio frequency signal to the receipt of the signal reflected off of the target. The absence of a range measurement from tracker to target limits the passive tracker's ability to compensate for the apparent change in target image as the tracker moves in relationship to the target. Without this ability, a tracker will fail to maintain a constant target.

In practice, a tracker benefits by tracking several subimages of its target's image. These subimages are two dimensional representations of structures that are physically connected to the exact target location or "aimpoint" in the real three-dimensional world. Multiple subimages are used for redundancy purposes and because the actual aimpoint of the target is often untrackable. As the tracker nears the target, however, the subimages will appear to move with the respect to each other. The position of the subimages with respect to one another may also change in certain situations. For instance, two subimages located on a target may appear to approach one another if they are located on a face of a target that is rotating away from the tracker. A tracker targeting an elongate structure such as a runway or tall building will sense complex subimage motion due to closure of the tracker on the target. Certain subimages will appear to move at rates that are dependent on the

location of the subimage within the tracker's field of view.

Prior attempts to passively track an object have resulted in solutions with limited flexibility and poor accuracy. Heretofore, an object once identified as an aimpoint was tracked by tracking a predetermined number of subimages in a known pattern. Typically, the pattern chosen was a square with the aimpoint at its center and four subimages located at the four corners of the square. That system would track the four subimages located at the corners of the square and infer the actual aimpoint using the simple symmetry of the predetermined square. This method faltered when the geometry of the actual target resulted in less than four suitable subimages located in the requisite pattern. This system also lacked the ability to use trackable subimages that were not in the requisite pattern.

Therefore, a need has arisen for a passive subimage tracker which is able to track an aimpoint or an elongate target by using any number of subimages arbitrarily related to the aimpoint without range data.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

In accordance with the present invention, a method for tracking an aimpoint is provided which substantially eliminates or reduces disadvantages and problems associated with prior trackers.

A method for tracking an aimpoint on an elongate target comprises the steps of acquiring an aimpoint and a set of subimages in the tracker's field of view. The subimages may be arbitrarily associated with the aimpoint. A normalized distance from each subimage to the aimpoint is calculated for use at a later time when at least one of the subimages is reacquired. Each subsequent location of the aimpoint is estimated based on the subsequent location of the subimages, on the position of the subimages in the field of view, and on the saved normalized distances.

It is a technical advantage of the invention that an aimpoint located on an elongate target may be tracked without range data using subimages that are arbitrarily related to the aimpoint. A normalized distance from the aimpoint to each subimage is calculated at an initial time and saved for subsequent steps. At each subsequent time, a vector is calculated which maintains the same normalized distance from each subimage to the aimpoint. The subsequent location of the aimpoint may be maintained despite apparent movement of the subimages due to uniform and non-uniform magnification due to closure.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

For a more complete understanding of the present invention, and the advantages thereof, reference is now made to the following descriptions taken in conjunction with the accompanying drawings, in which:

FIG. 1 is a perspective view of an elongate target which may be tracked by the disclosed invention;

FIG. 2 is a part schematic, part cross-sectional diagram of a "fire and forget" missile which may incorporate the disclosed invention;

FIG. 3 is a flow chart of a subimage tracker which incorporates the disclosed invention;

FIGS. 4 and 5 are one and two-dimensional models, respectively, of a tracker targeting an aimpoint with one subimage on an elongate object; and

FIG. 6 depicts the magnification of a subimage as a function of its position in the tracker's field of view.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

The preferred embodiment of the present invention and its advantages are best understood by referring to FIGS. 1 through 6 of the drawings like numerals being used for like and corresponding parts of the various drawings.

FIG. 1 depicts an elongate target 10. Here target 10 is a runway but might also be a bridge, a train or a building relatively large in the horizontal dimension as compared to the vertical. An operator of the tracker, or an automatic algorithm, initially selects an aimpoint on runway 10 such as its geometric center. A tracker targeting runway 10 then acquires trackable subimages such as control tower 12 or airplane 14 from which it can track the center of the runway 10. The tracker then determines range normalized distances from each subimage to the designated aimpoint and saves these values for future calculations. This distance may be the actual number of pixels between the aimpoint and a subimage as sensed by the tracker's sensor or may be further normalized so that at least one subimage is a particular distance, such as "1", away from the aimpoint.

The tracker reacquires the subimages at subsequent times and uses the range normalized distances and a mathematical model as will be explained in connection with FIGS. 3 through 6 throughout to estimate the location of the aimpoint at those subsequent times. If the tracker is part of a device such as a "fire and forget" missile, it will continually adjust its course to intercept the initial aimpoint until it reaches the aimpoint.

As the tracker approaches runway 10, the subimages of runway 10 will exhibit complex motion relative to one another. This motion may be characterized as comprising a uniform and a non-uniform component. The uniform component of motion will cause the subimages to radially move away from the aimpoint as the tracker nears the aimpoint and the target image fills more and more of the tracker's field of view. The non-uniform component causes each subimage to move depending on its location in the field of view of the sensor. For instance, if a tracker targets an aimpoint on runway 10 between control tower 12 and airplane 14 and approaches runway 10 along its longitudinal axis from the left side of the figure, control tower 12 will appear to move toward the bottom of the field of view at one rate while airplane 14 will appear to move toward the top at a much smaller rate. Without accounting for the non-uniformities, the aimpoint would likely slide from the true aimpoint toward the bottom of the field of view as the tracker attempted to find a compromise position between control tower 12 and airplane 14. The compromise position would be one that would make the magnification of the subimages appear equal along the length of runway 10.

FIG. 2 depicts a "fire and forget" missile 16 which may incorporate the disclosed invention. Missile 16 delivers a warhead 18 which detonates upon impact with a target. The missile 16 contains a passive imaging sensor 19, such as a forward looking infrared camera ("FLIR"), that is sensitive to radiation emitted by the missile's target. The sensor 19 periodically acquires images within its field of view during operation. A latch 20 temporarily saves the information received by sensor

18 so that it is more accessible by central processing unit ("CPU") 22. CPU 22 might itself comprise various subsystems (not shown) which may be implemented by hardware or software, including an aimpoint designator for initially establishing the aimpoint on the target and a normalized distance calculator for calculating the distance between each subimage and the aimpoint. CPU 22 has associated with it a memory 24. Memory 24 may contain the routines which CPU 22 runs and stores data necessary to the disclosed invention. CPU 22 controls the direction of missile 16 through fin control unit 26. Fin control unit 26 manipulates each fin 28 through a servo 30. Missile 16 is propelled by rocket motor 32.

FIG. 3 depicts a high level flow chart of a subimage tracker which incorporates the disclosed invention. An aimpoint is initially selected on the target in block 50 by an operator. The tracker then acquires multiple subimages associated with the chosen aimpoint according to internal criteria such as image contrast or image brightness (block 52). The tracker calculates the normalized distances between each subimage that it has acquired and the selected aimpoint in block 54. These values are saved for later use at each subsequent time, the tracker reacquires the subimages and estimates the location of the aimpoint from the previously calculated normalized distances in blocks 56 and 58 respectively. The math and the particular normalized distances are more fully described below. The tracker may then adjust sensor pentry (block 60) to maintain the aimpoint at the center of its field of view. These final three steps are repeated until the missile impacts its target or the tracker otherwise ends its program.

It should be understood that block 60 may comprise any number of related steps such as issuing commands to an operator to follow the aimpoint or displaying crosshairs to pinpoint the location of the aimpoint in a display. The tracker may also be mounted in a stationary environment where it simply follows an aimpoint in its field of view without actively pursuing the target. The imager could, in fact, recede from the target and the tracker would still maintain the aimpoint properly.

The approach to multiple subimage tracking without range estimates is based on a generalized geometric model. This model is based on the assumption that though the target and thus the subimages will be growing in the image during closure, the relative dimensions of the target do not change. This assumes that the angle of attack between the tracker and target stays fairly constant, which is common during most of the terminal phase of the missile flight.

In the generalized geometric approach each tracker location is related to the aimpoint location using a normalized coordinate frame. An individual subimage i at image location (x_i, y_i) can be related to the aimpoint A at image location (x_A, y_A) by the following equations:

$$x_i = x_A + d_{x_i} + n_{x_i}$$

$$y_i = y_A + d_{y_i} + n_{y_i}$$

where (d_{x_i}, d_{y_i}) represents the offset in the image plane of subimage i from the aimpoint A , and (n_{x_i}, n_{y_i}) are additive noise terms which corrupt measurement of the true subimage location. These equations can be combined into a single equation using vector notation:

$$\underline{x} = \underline{x}_A \underline{d}_x + \underline{n}$$

The key to accurately modeling each subimage position is the accurate determination of how the offset vector varies as a tracker approaches an elongate target.

FIG. 4 depicts the mathematical framework for determining the offset vector related to an elongate target in a two-dimensional universe, the vertical plane through the missile and the aimpoint. Here an aimpoint A is downrange of and below a missile "M" by a distance "R". A trackable subimage is located at B. B is further downrange of A by a distance "x". For a large distance R relative to x, the angle between the subimage, missile and aimpoint may be expressed as:

$$d_y = \frac{x \sin \Theta}{R + x \cos \Theta}$$

This angle is distance from the aimpoint to the subimage which a tracker actually "sees" when it acquires an image. (In FIG. 4 R is shown as on the same order of magnitude as X for purposes of clarity.)

The vertical "magnification" of a subimage associated with an elongate target at a particular time may then be defined as:

$$M = \frac{d_y(R_1)}{d_y(R_0)}$$

where $d_y(R_0)$ is the distance between the subimage and aimpoint at an initial range of R_0 and $d_y(R_1)$ is the distance between the subimage and aimpoint at a subsequent range R_1 . If the tracker is a missile designed to intercept the target, then R_1 will be less than R_0 . The magnification M may be used to model the behavior of the subimages between successive times and thus, may be used to predict the subsequent position of the aimpoint. This model will be more fully described in connection with FIGS. 5 and 6.

FIG. 5 depicts a mathematical framework for determining the offset vector of a subimage associated with an elongate target in a three-dimensional universe. The four vectors R_M , R_T , $R_{T/M}$ and $R_{C/T}$ may be expressed as:

$$R_M = \begin{pmatrix} x_M \\ 0 \\ -h \end{pmatrix}, R_T = \begin{pmatrix} x_T \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, R_{T/M} = \begin{pmatrix} x_T - x_M \\ 0 \\ h \end{pmatrix}$$

$$R_{C/T} = \begin{pmatrix} x_C \\ y_C \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

where X, Y and Z are positive in the directions indicated by the depicted coordinate system. The distances between the subimage and aimpoint are indicated as x_c and y_c for the X and Y dimensions respectively.

The coordinate system in FIG. 5 may be transformed to a platform ("(p)") coordinate system at the missile position through the transformation:

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \Theta & 0 & \sin \Theta \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\sin \Theta & 0 & \cos \Theta \end{pmatrix}$$

where

$$\Theta = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{h}{x_T - x_M} \right)$$

The vectors $R_{T/M}$ and $R_{C/M}$ may be transformed into the new coordinate system as:

$$R_{T/M(p)} = \begin{pmatrix} R_s \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} R_s = \sqrt{(x_T - x_M)^2 + h^2}$$

$$R_{C/M(p)} = \begin{pmatrix} R_s \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + D \begin{pmatrix} x_C \\ y_C \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$R_{C/M(p)} = \begin{pmatrix} R_s \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} x_C \cos \Theta \\ y_C \\ -x_C \sin \Theta \end{pmatrix}$$

The vector $R_{C/M(p)}$ may be used to calculate the magnification function M as was done in connection with FIG. 4. The Y and Z platform components correspond to the distances between the subimage and the aimpoint in the platform coordinate system. These may be divided by the total platform downrange distance $R_s + x_C \cos \Theta$ to yield angular distances between aimpoint and subimage:

$$\begin{pmatrix} d_x \\ d_y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{y_C}{R_s + x_C \cos \Theta} \\ \frac{-x_C \sin \Theta}{R_s + x_C \cos \Theta} \end{pmatrix}$$

or rearranging,

$$d_x R_s + d_x x_C \cos \Theta = y_C \text{ and } d_y R_s = -(d_y \cos \Theta + \sin \Theta) x_C$$

The distances d_x and d_y correspond to the distances between the aimpoint and the subimage in the horizontal and vertical axes of the image plane of the passive sensor.

The distances d_x and d_y may be used to solve for (x_C, y_C) for a given geometry with the series of equations:

$$\begin{bmatrix} -d_x \cos \Theta & 1 \\ -d_y \cos \Theta - \sin \Theta & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_C \\ y_C \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} d_x R_s \\ d_y R_s \end{bmatrix}$$

These equations, are used to create test cases for simulation of the tracker and to illustrate the results in the following paragraph.

FIG. 6 depicts the magnification versus vertical image position for one particular geometry. Specifically, the solution is depicted in terms of M_H and M_V as a function of $d_y(6000)$ where $M_H = d_x(R_1)/d_x(R_0)$, $M_V = d_y(R_1)/d_y(R_0)$, $R_1 = 3,000$ and $R_0 = 6,000$. The solution indicates that M_H and M_V are identical and are closely related to $d_y(R_0)$ by an equation having the form of a line, $M_0 + b d_y(R_0)$. M_0 and b are constants. Combining these empirical results with the general equations:

$$x_i = x_A + d_{x_i} + n_{x_i}$$

$$y_i = y_A + d_{y_i} + n_{y_i}$$

leads to the set of equations for the location of the image of the *i*th subimage at each successive time:

$$x_i = x_A + M_H d_{x_i}(R_0) + n_{x_i}$$

$$y_i = y_A + M_V d_{y_i}(R_0) + n_{y_i}$$

or

$$x_i = x_A + M_{\sigma} d_{x_i} + d_{y_i} d_{x_i} b + n_{x_i}$$

$$y_i = y_A + M_{\sigma} d_{y_i} + d_{y_i} d_{y_i} b + n_{y_i}$$

where d_{x_i} and d_{y_i} are understood to be determined when the aimpoint is first acquired. For *N* subimages, the above equations for one subimage may be expanded as:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_N \\ y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_N \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & d_{x1} & d_{x1}d_{y1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & 0 & d_{xN} & d_{xN}d_{yN} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 1 & d_{y1} & d_{y1}^2 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 1 & d_{yN} & d_{yN}^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_A \\ y_A \\ M_0 \\ b \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} n_{x1} \\ \vdots \\ n_{xN} \\ n_{y1} \\ \vdots \\ n_{yN} \end{bmatrix}$$

This equation itself can be more conveniently expressed

as:

$$\underline{x} = H\theta + \underline{n}$$

where $\theta = [x_A \ y_A \ M_0 \ b]^T$ and *H* is the $2N \times 4$ matrix depicted above. At each successive time the tracker reacquires the subimages, all variables are known except those in θ and the noise vector \underline{n} .

The vector θ and hence the aimpoint may be estimated by several statistical methods, including a least squares technique:

$$\hat{\theta} = (H^T H)^{-1} H^T \underline{x}$$

where $\hat{\theta}$ is the estimate of θ . This method will minimize the effect of the noise vector \underline{n} .

Sections A-G below contain FORTRAN computer code for one embodiment of the disclosed invention. In particular, Section A discloses subroutine TRKNORNG2D for computing the aimpoint using a single magnification model. Section B discloses Subroutine TRKNORNG for computing the location of the aimpoint using the dual magnification model. Section C discloses Subroutine INTJITTER for rejecting bad subimages associated with an aimpoint under the subroutine TRKNORNG2D. Section D discloses subroutine JITTER for rejecting bad subimages associated with an aimpoint under the subroutine TRKNORNG. Section E discloses Subroutine LEASTSQ for calculating the least-squares estimate of a parameter vector. Section F discloses the common block variable declarations TKPTPARM and PROCPARM for the previous subroutines. Section G discloses a library of subroutines useful primarily for matrix math called by subroutines TRKNORNG, TRKNORNG2D, INTJITTER, JITTER and LEASTSQ.

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Section A

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SUBROUTINE TRKNORNG2D

NAME: TRKNORNG2D

FUNCTION: Computes the aimpoint and trackpoint when no range estimates are available. A least-square estimator calculates aimpoint and target magnification by assuming magnification is the same in each dimension. A single magnification factor is used.

DESCRIPTION:

Initialize the trackpoint measurement variances, the number of good
 trackers, and the standard deviation for one tracker
 Set the tracker mode to locked on and the breaklock flag to false
 Do for all trackers
 If a tracker is active and is at least one cycle old Then
 Assign model matrices and observation vectors used to
 compute least-squares target aimpoint and size estimates
 If weight trackers by distance from the aimpoint Then
 Assign X distance weights
 Assign Y distance weights
 Else
 Assign all weights to unity
 End of If weight trackers by distance from the aimpoint
 Increment the number of trackers counter
 Else this tracker is not active or at least one cycle old
 Zero the least-squares weights for this tracker
 End of If a tracker is active and at least 1 cycle old
 End of Do for all trackers

 If there are at least two valid trackers Then
 Use least-squares to estimate aimpoint location and target size
 Run the jitter test to delete trackers with bad measurements
 Recompute the estimated trackpoint location and target size
 after removing the bad measurements
 Compute track errors and measurement variances
 Update the aimpoint and trackpoint by adding in track errors
 Save the estimated target sizes
 Set the tracker mode to locked on
 Else if there is one valid tracker Then
 Find the tracker measurement of the good tracker
 Compute the aimpoint as the offset from the tracker
 Set the tracker mode to locked on
 Else there are no valid trackers
 Set the breaklock flag
 Set the tracker mode to rate coast
 End of If there are valid trackers

REFERENCES:

None

CALLING SEQUENCE:

CALL TRKNORNG2D

INPUTS:

None

OUTPUTS:

None

DEPENDENCIES:

Common Blocks

PROCPARMS

-

Processing parameters

TKPTPARMS

-

Trackpoint/aimpoint related parameters

Subroutines

INTJITTER

-

Integrating jitter test

LEASTSQ

-

Weighted least-squares estimator


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C SIDE EFFECTS:
C   None
C
C TARGET PROCESSOR:
C   VAX 8000 series VMS 4.5, Fortran Compiler 4.5-219
C
C HISTORY:
C   05/29/91 D. Van Rheeden Initial Release

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Local Variables

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C FACTOR      Normalized magnification factor
C H           Least-squares model matrix
C MAXEST      Maximum number of least-squares parameter estimates
C MAXOBS      Maximum number of least-squares observations
C NTRACKERS   Number of trackers whose errors are being averaged
C P           Least-squares estimate covariance matrix
C SIGMA       Measurement standard deviation of one tracker
C TRACKER     Tracker index into data arrays
C W           Least-squares weighting vector
C XHAT        Least-squares estimate vector
C Z           Least-squares observation vector
C ZHAT        Least-squares estimates of tracker locations

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Variable Declarations

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C   IMPLICIT NONE
C
C   INCLUDE 'COMMON:PROCPARM.CMN' ! Processing parameters
C   INCLUDE 'COMMON:TKPTPARM.CMN' ! Processing parameters
C
C   INTEGER*2    MAXEST/3/, MAXOBS/24/, NTRACKERS,
C   &            TRACKER
C
C   REAL*4       FACTOR, H(24,3), P(3,3), SIGMA, W(24),
C   &            XHAT(3), ZHAT(24), Z(24)

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EXECUTABLE CODE

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C Initialize the trackpoint measurement variances, the number of good
C trackers, and the standard deviation for one tracker.

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C   TPVARX = 0.0
C   TPVARY = 0.0
C   NTRACKERS = 0.0
C   SIGMA = 0.5

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C Set the tracker mode to locked on and the breaklock flag to false.

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C   TRKMODE = 1
C   BRKLCK = .FALSE.

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C For each good tracker at least one cycle old...

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C DO TRACKER = 1, MAXT

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&      IF (DBASE(TRACKER,1) .EQ. 2 .AND. DBASE(TRACKER,9) .GE. 1)
C      THEN
C      Assign model matrices and observation vectors used to compute
C      least-squares target aimpoint and size estimates.
C
C      H(TRACKER,1) = 1.0
C      H(TRACKER,2) = 0.0
C      H(TRACKER,3) = DIST2DX(TRACKER)
C      H(TRACKER+MAXT,1) = 0.0
C      H(TRACKER+MAXT,2) = 1.0
C      H(TRACKER+MAXT,3) = DIST2DY(TRACKER)
C
C      Z(TRACKER)          = DBASE(TRACKER,2)
C      Z(TRACKER+MAXT)    = DBASE(TRACKER,3)
C
C      If selected, assign least-squares weights based on the distance of the
C      tracker from the aimpoint.
C
C      IF (WEIGHTDIST) THEN
C
C          IF (DISTX(TRACKER) .GT. 0.1) THEN
C              W(TRACKER) = 1.0 / DISTX(TRACKER)
C          ELSE
C              W(TRACKER) = 10.0
C          END IF ! X normalized distance > 0.1
C
C          IF (DISTRY(TRACKER) .GT. 0.1) THEN
C              W(TRACKER+MAXT) = 1.0 / DISTRY(TRACKER)
C          ELSE
C              W(TRACKER+MAXT) = 10.0
C          END IF ! Y normalized distance > 0.1
C
C      ELSE ! Don't assign distance weights
C
C          W(TRACKER)          = 1.0
C          W(TRACKER+MAXT)    = 1.0
C          END IF ! Assign distance weights
C
C      Increment the number of trackers counter.
C
C          NTRACKERS = NTRACERS + 1
C
C      Else, zero the least-squares weights for this tracker.
C
C          ELSE
C              W(TRACKER)          = 0.0
C              W(TRACKER+MAXT)    = 0.0
C          END IF ! This tracker is good and at least 1 cycle old
C      End DO ! For all good trackers
C
C      If there are at least two trackers . . .
C
C          IF (NTRACKERS .GT. 1) THEN
C
C              Use least-squares to estimate aimpoint location and target size.
C
C              CALL LEASTSQ (H, Z, W, XHAT, ZHAT, P, MAXEST, MAXOBS)
C
C              Run the integrating jitter test to delete trackers with bad measurements.
C
C              DO TRACKER = 1, MAXT

```



```

    PREDX(TRACKER) = ZHAT(TRACKER)
    PREDY(TRACKER) = ZHAT(TRACKER+MAXT)
  END DO
  CALL INTJITTER

```

Recompute the estimated trackpoint location and target size after removing the bad measurements.

```

  DO TRACKER = 1, MAXT
    IF (DBASE(TRACKER,1) .EQ. -1) THEN
      W(TRACKER) = 0.0
      W(TRACKER+MAXT) = 0.0
    END IF ! A tracker is not valid.
  END DO ! For all trackers
  CALL LEASTSQ (H, Z, W, XHAT, ZHAT, P, MAXEST, MAXOBS)

```

Compute track errors and measurement variances.

```

  RESERRX = XHAT(1) - AIMX
  RESERRY = XHAT(2) - AIMY
  MAGNIFY = XHAT(3)

```

```

  TPVARX = SIGMA**2 * P(1,1)
  TPVARY = SIGMA**2 * P(2,2)
  MAGVAR = SIGMA**2 * P(3,3)

```

Compute the aimpoint and trackpoint.

```

  AIMX = XHAT (1)
  AIMY = XHAT (2)

```

```

  TRACKX = AIMX + MAGNIFY * OFFSETX
  TRACKY = AIMY + MAGNIFY * OFFSETY

```

Compute the estimated target sizes based on magnification.

```

  FACTOR = MAGNIFY / INITSIZEX
  RSIZEX = FACTOR * INITSIZEX
  RSIZEY = FACTOR * INITSIZEY

```

Else, if there is one tracker . . .

```

  ELSE IF (NTRACKERS .GT. 0) THEN

```

Find the tracker measurement of the good tracker.

```

  TRACKER = 1
  DO WHILE (W(TRACKER) .EQ. 0.0)
    TRACKER = TRACKER + 1
  END DO ! while searching for the good tracker measurement

```

Compute the aimpoint as the offset from the tracker. Use the estimated magnification from the previous tracker frame.

```

  RESERRX = (Z(TRACKER) - DIST2DX(TRACKER)*MAGNIFY) - AIMX
  RESERRY = (Z(TRACKER+MAXT)-DIST2DY(TRACKER)*MAGNIFY) - AIMY
  TPVARX = SIGMA**2
  TPVARY = SIGMA**2

```

```

  AIMX = AIMX + RESERRX

```

AIMX = AIMY + RESERRY
 TRACKX = TRACKX + RESERRX
 TRACKY = TRACKY + RESERRY

Else, set the breaklock flag to true and tracker mode to rate coast.

ELSE
 BRKLCK = .TRUE.
 TRKMODE = 0
 END IF ! There are any trackers

RETURN
 END

Section B

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SUBROUTINE TRKNORNG

NAME: TRKNORNG

FUNCTION: Computes the aimpoint and trackpoint when no range estimates are available. A least-squares estimator calculates aimpoint and target size estimates. Separate X and Y magnification factors are used.

DESCRIPTION:

Initialize the trackpoint measurement variances, the number of good trackers, and the standard deviation for one tracker
 Set the tracker mode to locked on and the breaklock flag to false

Do for all trackers

If a tracker is active and is at least one cycle old Then
 Assign model matrices and observation vectors used to compute least-squares target aimpoint and size estimates
 If weight trackers by distance from the aimpoint Then
 Assign X distance weights
 Assign Y distance weights
 Else
 Assign all weights to unity
 End of If weight trackers by distance from the aimpoint
 Increment the number of trackers counter
 Else this tracker is not active or at least one cycle old
 Zero the least-squares weights for this tracker
 End of If a tracker is active and at least 1 cycle old

End of Do for all trackers

If there are at least two valid trackers Then

Use least-squares to estimate trackpoint location and target size
 Run the jitter test to delete trackers with bad measurements
 Recompute the estimated trackpoint location and target size after removing the bad measurements
 Compute track errors and measurement variances
 Update the aimpoint and trackpoint by adding in track errors

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```

C      Save the estimated target sizes
C      Else if there is one valid tracker Then
C          Find the tracker measurement of the good tracker
C          Compute the aimpoint as the offset from the tracker
C      Else there are no valid trackers
C          Set the breaklock flag to true
C          Set the tracker mode to rate coast
C      End of If there are valid trackers

```

REFERENCES:

None

CALLING SEQUENCE:

Call TRKNORNG

INPUTS:

None

OUTPUTS:

None

DEPENDENCIES:

Common Blocks

PROCPARMS - Processing parameters

TKPTPARMS - Trackpoint/aimpoint related parameters

Subroutines

LEASETSQ - Weighted least-squares estimator

JITTER - Robust JITTER test

SIDE EFFECTS:

None

TARGET PROCESSOR:

VAX 8000 Series VMS 4.5, Fortran Compiler 4.5-219

HISTORY:

05/29/91 D. Van Rheeden Initial Release

07/29/91 D. Van Rheeden Added subpixel estimates

Local Variables

HX, HY	Least-squares model matrices
MAXEST	Maximum number of least-squares parameter estimates
MAXOBS	Maximum number of least-squares observations
NTRACKERS	Number of trackers whose errors are being averaged
PX, PY	Least-squares estimate covariance matrices
SIGMA	Measurement standard deviation of one tracker
SUMWX, SUMWY	Sum of weight values
TRACKER	Tracker index into data arrays
WX, WY	Least-squares weighting vectors
XHAT, YHAT	Least-squares estimate vectors
ZX, ZY	Least-squares observation vectors
ZXHAT, ZYHAT	Least-squares predicted observation vectors

Variable Declarations

IMPLICIT NONE

```

INCLUDE 'COMMON:PROCPARM.CMN'    ! Processing parameters
INCLUDE 'COMMON:TKPTPARM.CMN'    ! Trackpoint parameters

```

```

INTEGER :    MAXEST/2/, MAXOBS/12/, NTRACKERS, TRACKER

```

```

&
&
REAL*4      HX(12,2), HY(12,2), PX(2,2), PY(2,2), SIGMA,
            WX(12), WY(12), XHAT(12), YHAT(12),
            ZX(12), ZY(12), ZXHAT(12), ZYHAT(12)

```

EXECUTABLE CODE

```

Initialize the trackpoint measurement variances, the number of
good trackers, and the standard deviation for one tracker.

```

```

TPVARX = 0.0
TPVARY = 0.0
NTRACKERS = 0
SIGMA = 0.5

```

```

Set the tracker mode to locked on and the breaklock flag to false.

```

```

TRKMODE = 1
BRKLCK = .FALSE.

```

```

For each good tracker at least one cycle old ...

```

```

DO TRACKER = 1, MAXT
  IF (DBASE(TRACKER,1) .EQ. 2 .AND. DBASE(TRACKER,9) .GE. 1) THEN

```

```

Assign model matrices and observation vectors used to compute
least-squares target aimpoint and size estimates.

```

```

HX(TRACKER,1) = 1.0
HX(TRACKER,2) = DISTX(TRACKER)
HY(TRACKER,1) = 1.0
HY(TRACKER,2) = DISTY(TRACKER)
ZX(TRACKER)   = DBASE(TRACKER,2) + SUBPIXX(TRACKER)
ZY(TRACKER)   = DBASE(TRACKER,3) + SUBPIXY(TRACKER)

```

```

If selected, assign least-squares weights based on the distance of the
tracker from the aimpoint.

```

```

  IF (WEIGHTDIST) THEN

```

```

    IF (DISTX(TRACKER) .GT. 0.1) THEN
      WX(TRACKER) = 1.0 / DISTX(TRACKER)
    ELSE
      WX(TRACKER) = 10.0
    END IF ! X normalized distance > 0.1

```

```

    IF (DISTY(TRACKER) .GT. 0.1) THEN
      WY(TRACKER) = 1.0 / DISTY(TRACKER)
    ELSE
      WY(TRACKER) = 10.0
    END IF ! Y normalized distance > 0.1

```

```

  ELSE ! Don't assign distance weights

```



```

WX(TRACKER) = 1.0
WX(TRACKER) = 1.0

```

C

```

END IF ! Assign distance weights

```

C

```

Increment the number of trackers counter.

```

C

C

C

C

```

NTRACKERS = NTRACKERS + 1

```

C

C

C

C

```

Else, zero the least-squares weights for this tracker.

```

```

ELSE

```

```

    WX(TRACKER) = 0.0

```

```

    WY(TRACKER) = 0.0

```

```

END IF ! This tracker is good and at least 1 cycle old

```

```

END DO ! For all good trackers

```

C

C

```

If there are at least two trackers ...

```

C

```

IF (NTRACKERS .GT. 1) THEN

```

C

C

C

```

Use least-squares to estimate aimpoint location and target size.

```

```

CALL LEASTSQ (HX, ZX, WX, XHAT, PX, ZXHAT, MAXEST, MAXOBS)

```

```

CALL LEASTSQ (HY, ZY, WY, YHAT, PY, ZYHAT, MAXEST, MAXOBS)

```

C

C

C

```

Run the jitter test to delete trackers with bad measurements.

```

```

DO TRACKER = 1, MAXT

```

```

    PREDX(TRACKER) = ZXHAT(TRACKER)

```

```

    PREDY(TRACKER) = ZYHAT(TRACKER)

```

```

END DO

```

```

CALL JITTER

```

C

C

C

C

```

Recompute the estimated trackpoint location and target size
after removing the bad measurements.

```

```

DO TRACKER = 1, MAXT

```

```

    IF (DBASE(TRACKER,1) .EQ. -1) THEN

```

```

        WX(TRACKER) = 0.0

```

```

        WY(TRACKER) = 0.0

```

```

    END IF ! A tracker is not valid.

```

```

END DO ! For all trackers

```

```

CALL LEASTSQ (HX, ZX, WX, XHAT, PX, ZXHAT, MAXEST, MAXOBS)

```

```

CALL LEASTSQ (HY, ZY, WY, YHAT, PY, ZYHAT, MAXEST, MAXOBS)

```

C

C

C

```

Compute track errors and measurement variances.

```

```

RESERRX = XHAT(1) - AIMX

```

```

RESERRY = YHAT(1) - AIMY

```

```

TPVARX = SIGMA**2 * PX(1,1)

```

```

TPVARY = SIGMA**2 * PY(1,1)

```

C

C

C

```

Update the aimpoint and trackpoint by adding track errors.

```

```

AIMX = AIMX + RESERRX

```

```

AIMY = AIMY + RESERRY

```

C

```

TRACKX = TRACKX + RESERRX
TRACKY = TRACKY + RESERRY

```

```

C
C Save the estimated target sizes.
C

```

```

RSIZEX = XHAT(2)
RSIZEY = YHAT(2)

```

```

C
C Else, if there is one tracker ...
C

```

```

ELSE IF (NTRACKERS .GT. 0) THEN

```

```

C Find the tracker measurement of the good tracker.
C

```

```

TRACKER = 1
DO WHILE (WX(TRACKER) .EQ. 0.0)
  TRACKER = TRACKER + 1
END DO ! while searching for the good tracker measurement

```

```

C Compute the aimpoint as the offset from the tracker.
C

```

```

RESERRX = (ZX(TRACKER) - DISTX(TRACKER) * RSIZEX) - AIMX
RESERRY = (ZY(TRACKER) - DISTY(TRACKER) * RSIZEY) - AIMY
TPVARX = SIGMA**2
TPVARY = SIGMA**2

```

```

C
AIMX = AIMX + RESERRX
AIMY = AIMY + RESERRY
TRACKX = TRACKX + RESERRX
TRACKY = TRACKY + RESERRY

```

```

C Else, set the breaklock flag to true and tracker mode to rate coast.
C

```

```

ELSE
  BRKLCK = .TRUE.
  TRKMODE = 0
END IF ! There are any trackers

```

```

C
RETURN
END

```

Section C

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SUBROUTINE INTJITTER

NAME: INTJITTER

FUNCTION: Performs the integrating robust jitter test for the 2-D range independent track model.

DESCRIPTION:

```

Initialize the number of trackers to zero
For each good tracker at least one cycle old
  Increment the number of trackers counters
  Compute the difference between found and predicted
  Save the difference in a temporary vector
End of loop

```



```

C
C
C   If at least 3 trackers are present then
C     Compute the median of the difference values
C     Compute the median absolute deviations of the difference values
C     For each good tracker at least one cycle old
C       Jitter value = ((Difference - Median) / MAD)**2
C       If the either jitter value > threshold then
C         Execute routine to delete the tracker
C         Set the appropriate reason for deletion flag to true
C       End of if
C     End of loop
C   End of if

```

REFERENCES:

None

CALLING SEQUENCE:

CALL INTJITTER

INPUTS:

None

OUTPUTS:

None

DEPENDENCIES:

Common Blocks

PROCPARMS - Processing parameters

Functions

MEDIAN - Calculates median of a vector of samples

SIDE EFFECTS:

None

TARGET PROCESSOR:

VAX 8000 series VMS 4.5, Fortran Compiler 4.5-219

HISTORY:

06/20/91 D. Van Rheeden Initial Release

Local Variables

DIFF	Differences between the found and predicted locations
ERROR	Vertical and horizontal errors of good trackers only
JITRX,JITRY	Vertical and horizontal jitter scores
MAD ERROR	Median absolute deviation of track errors
MEDIAN_ERROR	Median of track errors
MINMAD	Minimum allowed median absolute deviation
NTRACKERS	Number of good trackers
NSAMPLES	Number of samples to compute median/MAD
THRESH	Threshold for the jitter test
TRKR	Tracker index (position in the databases)

Variable Declarations

IMPLICIT NONE

C INCLUDE 'COMMON:PROCPARM.CMN' ! Processing parameters

C INTEGER*2 NSAMPLES, NTRACKERS, TRKR

C REAL*4 DIFF(24), ERROR(24), JITRX, JITRY, MAD_ERROR,
& MEDIAN, MEDIAN_ERROR, MINMAD /0.5/

C REAL*4 THRESH(24) /0.0, 0.0,18.5,20.6,21.2,16.3,
& 13.7, 12.3,12.3,12.3,12.3,12.3,
& 12.3, 12.3,12.3,12.3,12.3,12.3,
& 12.3, 12.3,12.3,12.3,12.3,12.3/

C REAL*4 THRESH(24) /0.0,0.0,5.0,5.0,5.0,5.0,
& 5.0,5.0,5.0,5.0,5.0,5.0,
& 5.0,5.0,5.0,5.0,5.0,5.0,
& 5.0,5.0,5.0,5.0,5.0,5.0/

C EXTERNAL MEDIAN

C EXECUTABLE CODE

C Count the number of good trackers and compute the differences between the
C predicted and the found locations.
C

C NTRACKERS = 0
C DO TRKR = 1, MAXT
C IF (DBASE(TRKR,1) .EQ. 2) THEN
C NTRACKERS = NTRACKERS + 1
C DIFF (2*TRKR-1) = FLOAT(DBASE)(TRKR,2)) - PREDX(TRKR)
C DIFF (2*TRKR) = FLOAT(DBASE)(TRKR,3)) - PREDY(TRKR)
C ERROR(2*NTRACKERS-1) = DIFF(2*TRKR-1)
C ERROR(2*NTRACKERS) = DIFF(2*TRKR)
C END IF
C END DO
C NSAMPLES = 2 * NTRACKERS

C If there are at least three good trackers Then do the jitter test.

C IF (NSAMPLES .GE. 3) THEN

C Compute the jitter median.

C MEDIAN_ERROR = MEDIAN (ERROR, NSAMPLES)

C Compute the jitter median absolute deviation (MAD).

C NTRACKERS = 0
C DO TRKR = 1, MAXT
C IF (DBASE(TRKR,1) .EQ. 2) THEN
C NTRACKERS = NTRACKERS + 1
C ERROR(2*NTRACKERS-1) = ABS (DIFF(2*TRKR-1) - MEDIAN_ERROR)
C ERROR(2*NTRACKERS) = ABS (DIFF(2*TRKR) - MEDIAN_ERROR)
C END IF
C END DO

MAD_ERROR = MAX ((MEDIAN (ERROR, NSAMPLES) / 0.6745), MINMAD)

For each good tracker compute the jitter test scores.

```
DO TRKR = 1, MAXT
  IF (DBASE(TRKR,1) .EQ. 2 .AND. DBASE(TRKR,9) .GT. 0) THEN
    JITRX = ((DIFF(2*TRKR-1) - MEDIAN_ERROR) / MAD_ERROR)**2
    JITRY = ((DIFF(2*TRKR) - MEDIAN_ERROR) / MAD_ERROR)**2
```

```
  WRITE (TRLUN(TRKR), *)
  WRITE (TRLUN(TRKR), 10) 'JITRX =', JITRX, 'JITRY =', JITRY
10  FORMAT(2(5X,A7,F6.2))
```

If the jitter scores fail, delete the tracker from the database and set the reason flag. Scale the jitter values to save in integer database.

```
&  IF (JITRX .GT. THRESH(NSAMPLES) .OR.
    JITRY .GT. THRESH(NSAMPLES)) THEN
    CALL DBDEL(TRKR)
    REASONS(2,TRKR) = .TRUE.
    END IF
```

```
  DBASE(TRKR,14) = 100 * JITRX
  DBASE(TRKR,15) = 100 * JITRY
```

```
  END IF ! good tracker
```

```
END DO ! trkr = 1 to maxt
```

Else, if not enough trackers, set the jitter values to zero

```
ELSE
  DO TRKR = 1, MAXT
    IF (DBASE(TRKR,1) .EQ. 2) THEN
      DBASE(TRKR,14) = 0
      DBASE(TRKR,15) = 0
      WRITE (TRLUN(TRKR), *)
      WRITE (TRLUN(TRKR), *) 'JITRX = 0.0JITRY = 0.0'
    END IF ! existing tracker
  END DO ! i = 1, maxt
```

```
END IF ! ntrackers >= 3
```

```
RETURN
END
```

Section D

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NAME: JITTER

FUNCTION: Performs the robust jitter test

DESCRIPTION:

Initialize the number of trackers to zero

For each good tracker at least one cycle old

```

C      Increment the number of trackers counters
C      Compute the difference between found and predicted
C      Save the difference in a temporary vector
C      End of loop
C
C      If at least 3 trackers are present then
C      Compute the median of the difference values
C      Compute the median absolute deviation of the difference values
C      For each good tracker at least one cycle old
C      Jitter value = (Difference - Median)**2 / MAD **2
C      If the either jitter value > threshold then
C      Execute routine to delete the tracker
C      Set the appropriate reason for deletion flag to true
C      End of if
C      End of loop
C      End of if

```

REFERENCES:

None

CALLING SEQUENCE:

CALL JITTER

INPUTS:

None

OUTPUTS:

None

DEPENDENCIES:

Common Blocks

PROCPARMS - Processing parameters

Functions

MEDIAN - Calculates median of a vector of samples

SIDE EFFECTS:

None

TARGET PROCESSOR:

VAX 8000 series VMS 4.5, Fortran Compiler 4.5-219

HISTORY:

11/03/88 R. Broussard Initial Release

01/28/91 D. Van Rheeden Replaced mean and standard deviation with median and median abs deviation

Local Variables

NTRACKERS	Number of good trackers
DIFFX, DIFFY	Differences between the found and predicted locations
ERRX, ERRY	Vertical and horizontal errors of good trackers only
JITRX, JITRY	Vertical and horizontal jitter scores
MADX, MADY	Median absolute deviation of X and Y track errors
MEDIANX, MEDIANY	Median of X and Y track errors
MINMAD	Minimum allowed median absolute deviation
THRESH	Threshold for the jitter test
TRKR	Tracker index (position in the database)

 Variable Declarations

IMPLICIT NONE

INCLUDE 'COMMON:PROCPARM.CMN' ! Processing parameters

INTEGER*2 NTRACKERS, TRKR

 REAL*4 DIFFX (12), DIFFY(12), ERRX(12), ERRY(12), JITRX,
 & JITRY, MADX, MADY, MEDIAN, MEDIANX, MEDIANY,
 & MINMAD /0.5/

 REAL*4 THRESH(12) /0.0, 0.0, 18.5, 20.6, 21.2, 16.3,
 & 13.7, 12.3, 12.3, 12.3, 12.3, 12.3 /

 REAL*4 THRESH(12) /0.0, 0.0, 5.0, 5.0, 5.0, 5.0,
 & 5.0, 5.0, 5.0, 5.0, 5.0, 5.0 /

EXTERNAL MEDIAN

 EXECUTABLE CODE

 Count the number of good trackers and compute the difference between the
 predicted and the found locations.

```

NTRACKERS = 0
DO TRKR = 1, MAXT
  IF (DBASE(TRKR,1) .EQ. 2) THEN
    NTRACKERS = NTRACKERS + 1
    DIFFX(TRKR) = FLOAT (DBASE(TRKR, 2)) - PREDX(TRKR)
    DIFFY(TRKR) = FLOAT (DBASE(TRKR,3)) - PREDY(TRKR)
    ERRX (NTRACKERS) = DIFFX (TRKR)
    ERRY (NTRACKERS) = DIFFY (TRKR)
  END IF
END DO

```

If there are at least three good trackers Then do the jitter test.

```

IF (NTRACKERS .GE. 3) THEN

```

Compute the jitter median.

```

  MEDIANX = MEDIAN ( ERRX, NTRACKERS )
  MEDIANY = MEDIAN ( ERRY, NTRACKERS )

```

Compute the jitter median absolute deviation (MAD).

```

NTRACKERS = 0
DO TRKR = 1, MAXT
  IF (DBASE(TRKR,1) .EQ. 2) THEN
    NTRACKERS = NTRACKERS + 1
    ERRX (NTRACKERS) = ABS ( DIFFX(TRKR) - MEDIANX )
    ERRY (NTRACKERS) = ABS ( DIFFY(TRKR) - MEDIANY )
  END IF
END DO

```

```

C
C   MADX = MAX ( (MEDIAN( ERRX, NTRACKERS ) / 0.6745), MINMAD )
C   MADY = MAX ( (MEDIAN( ERRY, NTRACKERS ) / 0.6745), MINMAD )

```

```

C   For each good tracker compute the jitter test scores.
C

```

```

C   DO TRKR = 1, MAXT
C     IF (DBASE(TRKR,1) .EQ. 2 .AND. DBASE (TRKR, 9) .GT. 0) THEN
C       JITRX = (DIFFX(TRKR) - MEDIANX)**2 / MADX**2
C       JITRY = (DIFFY(TRKR) - MEDIANY)**2 / MADY**2

```

```

C       WRITE (TRLUN(TRKR), *)
C       WRITE (TRLUN(TRKR), 10) 'JITRX =', JITRX, 'JITRY =', JITRY
C       10   FORMAT (2(5X,A7,F6.2))

```

```

C   If the jitter scores fail, delete the tracker from the database and set the
C   reason flag. Scale the jitter values to save in integer database.

```

```

C       IF (JITRX .GT. THRESH (NTRACKERS) .OR.
C         &   JITRY .GT. THRESH (NTRACKERS)) THEN
C         CALL DBDEL (TRKR)
C         REASONS (2,TRKR) = .TRUE.
C       END IF

```

```

C       IF (JITRX .LT. (2**15-1) /100) THEN
C         DBASE (TRKR,14) = 100 * JITRX
C       ELSE
C         DBASE (TRKR,14) = (2**15-1) /100
C       END IF

```

```

C       IF (JITRY .LT. (2**15-1) /100) THEN
C         DBASE (TRKR, 15) = 100 * JITRY
C       ELSE
C         DBASE (TRKR,15) = (2**15-1) / 100
C       END IF

```

```

C     END IF ! good tracker

```

```

C   END DO ! trkr = 1 to maxt

```

```

C   Else, if not enough trackers, set the jitter values to zero

```

```

C   ELSE
C     DO TRKR = 1, MAXT
C       IF (DBASE (TRKR,1) .EQ. 2) THEN
C         DBASE (TRKR,14) = 0
C         DBASE (TRKR,15) = 0
C         WRITE (TRLUN (TRKR), *)
C         WRITE (TRLUN (TRKR), *) 'JITRX = 0.0 JITRY = 0.0'
C       END IF ! existing tracker
C     END DO ! i = 1, maxt

```

```

C   END IF ! ntrackers >=3

```

```

C   RETURN
C   END

```

Section E

 SUBROUTINE LEASTSQ (H, Z, W, XHAT, ZHAT, P, NEST, NOBS)

NAME: LEASTSQ

FUNCTION: Weighted least-squares estimator. The estimator uses the standard form:

$$x = (H^T \cdot W \cdot H)^{-1} \cdot H^T \cdot W \cdot z$$

where

x = vector of least-squares estimates

z = vector of input observations

H = least-squares model matrix

W = weighting matrix

The predicted observations are computed by:

$$z = W \cdot H \cdot (H^T \cdot W \cdot H)^{-1} \cdot H^T \cdot W \cdot z$$

DESCRIPTION:

Compute the matrix product $HW = H^T \cdot W$
 Compute the matrix product $HW \cdot H$ and invert the result
 Save the least-squares estimate covariance matrix
 Compute the least-squares pseudo-inverse matrix
 Computer the least-squares estimates
 Compute the observation estimates

REFERENCES:

Elbert, T. F., Estimation and Control of Systems, Van Nostrand Reinhold Co., 1984, pp. 367-369.

CALLING SEQUENCE:

CALL LEASTSQ (H, Z, W, XHAT, ZHAT, P, NEST, NOBS)

INPUTS:

H - Least-squares model matrix
 NEST - Number of least-squares estimates to compute
 NOBS - Number of least-squares observations to compute
 W - Weight vector
 Z - Vector of observations

OUTPUTS:

P - Least-squares estimate normalized covariance matrix
 XHAT - Vector of least-squares estimates
 ZHAT - Vector of predicted observations

DEPENDENCIES:

Subroutines

MATINV - Inverts a matrix
 MATMULT - Multiplies two matrices
 MATTRAN - Transposes a matrix

MVMULT - Multiplies a matrix by a column vector

SIDE EFFECTS:

If the number of estimates or the number of observations become larger than the local matrix dimensions, then the local matrix dimensions must be increased.

TARGET PROCESSOR:

VAX 8000 series VMS 4.5, Fortran Compiler 4.5-219

HISTORY:

05/30/91 D. Van Rheeden Initial Release

Local Variables

I, J Matrix loop indexes
 HTW Product of transposed model matrix and weights
 HTWHINV Inverse of the product $HTW * H$
 OBS Observation estimate model matrix
 PSINV Least-squares pseudo-inverse matrix
 WTH Transpose of the product HTW

Variable Declarations

IMPLICIT NONE

INCLUDE 'COMMON:PROCPARM.CMN' ! Processing parameters

INTEGER*2 I, J, NEST, NOBS

REAL*4 H(NOBS,NEST), HTW(3,24), HTWH(3,3),
 & OBS(24,24), P(NEST,NEST), PSINV(3,24),
 & TEMP(3,3), W(NOBS), XHAT(NEST), WTH(24,3),
 & Z(NOBS), ZHAT(NOBS)

EXECUTABLE CODE

Compute the matrix product $HW = H^T * W$. Note that W is input as a vector instead of a matrix to reduce the number of computations.

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CALL MATTRAN (H, HTW, NOBS, NEST)
DO = 1, NEST
  DO J = 1, NOBS
    HTW(I,J) = W(J) * HTW(I,J)
  END DO
END DO
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Compute the matrix product $H^T * W * H$ and invert. Save the result as the normalized covariance matrix of the least-squares estimates.

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CALL MATMULT (HTW, H, HTWH, NEST, NOBS, NOBS, NEST)
CALL MATINV (HTWH, P, TEMP, NEST, NEST)
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Compute the least-squares pseudo-inverse matrix.

CALL MATMULT (P, HTW, PSINV, NEST, NEST, NEST, NOBS)

Compute the least-squares estimates, x.

CALL MVMULT (PSINV, Z, XHAT, NEST, NOBS, NOBS)

Compute the observation estimates, z.

CALL MATTRAN (HTW, WTH, NEST, NOBS)
CALL MATMULT (WTH, PSINV, OBS, NOBS, NEST, NEST, NOBS)
CALL MVMULT (OBS, Z, ZHAT, NOBS, NOBS, NOBS)

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Section F

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COMMON BLOCK TKPTPARM

MNEUMONIC: TRacKPoint measurement PARaMeters common block

AUTHOR: Don Van Rheeden

HISTORY:
01/09/91 D. Van Rheeden Initial release

VARIABLE DECLARATIONS

COMMON TKPTPARMS/ AMOUNT_SHIFTED, BIAS_COUNT,
& BIAS_INTERVAL,
& BIASX, BIASY, COMPUTE_SUBPIX, DISP_UPPER,
& DISTX, DISTY, DIST2DX, DIST2DY,
& INITSIZE_X, INITSIZE_Y, MAGNIFY, MAGVAR,
& MODEL, OFFSETX, OFFSETY, RANGEIND,
& RECENTERP, RECENERY, SAVED_LOSP,
& SUBPIXX, SUBPIXY, TRKMODE, WEIGHTDIST/

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INTEGER *2 BIAS_COUNT INITSIZE_X, INITSIZE_Y, MODEL,
& RECENTERX, RECENERY, TRKMODE

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REAL *4 AMOUNT_SHIFTED, BIAS_INTERVAL, BIASX,
& BIASY, DISP_CORR, DISP_UPPER, DISTX(12),
& DISTY(12), DIST2DX(12), DIST2DY(12), MAGNIFY,
& MAGVAR, OFFSETX, OFFSETY, SAVED_LOSP,
& SUBPIXX(12), SUBPIXY(12)

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LOGICAL*2 COMPUTE_SUBPIX, RANGEIND, WEIGHTDIST

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VARIABLE DESCRIPTIONS

C
C AMOUNT_SHIFTED Number of meters shifted on target by aimpoint bias
C BIAS_COUNT Aimpoint bias counter
C BIAS_INTERVAL Number of seconds between aimpoint biases
C BIAS_X, Y Aimpoint biasing weights:
C BIASX=0.0 -bias left BIASY=0.0 -bias down
C BIASX=0.5 -no bias BIASY=0.5 -no bias
C BIASX=1.0 -bias rightBIASY=1.0 -bias up
C COMPUTE_SUBPIX Compute subpixel estimate flag
C DIST2DX,Y Distances normalized by 2-D magnification
C INITSIZEX,Y Target size at tracker initialization
C MAGNIFY Estimated magnifications factor
C MAGVAR Variance of the magnification factor estimate
C MODEL Range independent tracking model:
C 1- 1-D Model (X & Y estimated independently)
C 2- 2-D Model (X & Y estimated simultaneously)
C OFFSETX,Y Offset of aimpoint from trackpoint
C RANGEIND Range independent tracking flag
C RECENTERP, Y Aimpoint recenter values (PITCH, YAW)
C SAVED_LOSP Line-of-sight pitchesaved from last aimpoint bias
C SUBPIX_X,Y Trackpoint subpixel shift estimates
C TRKMODE Integer tracker mode:
C 0 - rate coast (breaklock)
C 1 - locked on (confident track)
C WEIGHTDIST Flag to weight each tracker measurement by its distance from
C the aimpoint
C DISP_CORR Average displacement all correlators
C DISP_UPPER Average displacement of upper correlators
C DIST_X,Y Distances from trackpoint normalized by size

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C COMMON BLOCK PROCPARM

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C MNUEMONIC: PROCessing PARaMeters common block

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C AUTHOR: Roger Broussard

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C HISTORY:

C 10/31/88 R. Broussard Generated from program TRACK written by
C Cam Kaszas for AGB program
C 1/09/90 D. Van Rheeden Added variables to run AAWS-M images
C 4/11/91 D. Van Rheeden Removed oresight jutter: XTRAN, YTRAN
C 4/15/91 D. Van Rheeden Added image dimensions: IMGROWS,
C IMGCOLS
C 4/17/91 D. Van Rheeden Added max limits; MAXACF, MAXCONT
C 4/22/91 D. Van Rheeden Added screen limits: MINX, Y and MAXX,Y
C 5/20/91 D. Van Rheeden Added CONTTH MIN: removed HSKIP, VSKIP
C 5/24/91 D. Van Rheeden Added trackability/ update to REASONS
C 5/24/91 D. Van Rheeden Added reference update age threshold
C 5/28/91 D. Van Rheeden Added real target, noisex,
C 6/13/91 D. Van Rheeden Added line of sight angles, LO SP, Y
C 6/17/91 D. Van Rheeden Replaced IRRES with RAD_TO_PIX,
C PIX_TO_RAD
C 6/17/91 D. Van Rheeden Added last fram X,Y coordinates to DBASE
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VARIABLE DECLARATIONS

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COMMON /PROCPARMS/ACOR, AGETH, AIMX, AIMY, ALTITUDE,
&      APMODE, BRKLCK, CCOR, CFT, CHECKS, COLOR,
&      CONT, CONTTH,CONTTH_MIN, CYCLE, DBASE,
&      DCHISL, DCHISU, DCREFX, DCREFY, DCSEX,
&      DCSERY, DRANGE, FRATE, HGREFX, HGREFY,
&      IMGCOLS, IMGAIN, IMGROWS, LOSP, LOSY LOSRP,
&      LOSRY, LUNN, MAXACF, MAXCONT, MAXP, MAXT,
&      MAXX, MAXY, MINX, MINY, NZSIGMA, OLDRNG,
&      PIX TO RAD, PREDX, PREDY, RAD TO PIX,
&      RANGE, RANGE_GOOD, REASONS, RESERRX, RESERRY,
&      RSIZE, RSIZE_Y, SR, SRTH, TGTSZX, TGTSZY, TPVARX,
&      TPVARY, TRACKX, TRACKY, TRLUN, VELOCITY

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INTEGER*2 AGETH, CHECKS, CONT, CONITH, CONTTHIN, CYCLE,
&      DBASE(12,17), DCHISL, DCHISU, DCREFX, DCREFY,
&      DCSEX, DCSERY, HGREFX, HGREFY, IMGCOLS,
&      IMGROWS, LUNN, MAXACF, MAXCONT, MAXP, MAXT,
&      MAXX, MAXY, MINX, MINY, SR, SRTH, TRLUN(12)

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INTEGER*4 ACOR(25,25), APMODE, CCOR(25,25), COLOR(12)

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REAL*4 AIMX, AIMY, ALTITUDE, DRANGE, FRATE,
&      IMGAIN, LOSP, LOSY, LOSRP, LOSRY, NZSIGNMA,
&      OLDRNG, PIX TO RAD, PREDX(12), PREDY(12),
&      RAD TO PIX, RANGE, RESERRX, RESERRY, RSIZE,
&      RSIZE_Y, SUMP, SUMY, TGRSZX, TGTSZY, TPVARX,
&      TPVARY, TRACKX, TRACKY, VELOCITY

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LOGICAL*2 BRKLCK, CFT/.TRUE./, RANGE_GOOD, REASONS(4,12)

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VARIABLE DESCRIPTIONS

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C ACOR,CCOR      Auto-correlation and cross-correlation matrices
C AGETH         Reference update tracker age threshold
C AIMX, AIMY    Horizontal and vertical position of the aimpoint (0.0,0.0 in upper left)
C APMODE        Autopilot mode
C ALTITUDE      Altitude of the platform (meters)
C BRKLCK        Breaklock flag (no good trackers in database)
C CHECKS        Total number of checks allowed this cycle
C CFT           Captive flight test indicator
C COLOR         The color index used to identify trackers
C CONT, SR      Current local contrast and sharpness ratio scores
C CONTTH, SRTH  Local contract and sharpness ratio thresholds
C CONNTH_MIN   Minimum allowed local contrast threshold
C CYCLE         Track cycle number, 0 = Initialization cycle
C DBAS(j,k)     Tracker data base
C               DBASE(j,1):    -1 = slot free, 2 == > slot full
C               DBASE(j,2):    X coordinate for tracker j
C               DBASE(j,3):    Y coordinate for tracker j
C               DBASE(j,4):    Local contrast score
C               DBASE(j,5):    Sharpness ratio score
C               DBASE(j,6):    Zone number
C               DBASE(j,7):    -1 == > outside OSR (needs replacement)
C               2 == > in bounds
C               DBASE(j,8):    Reference update threshold
C               DBASE(j,9):    Cycles active
C               DBASE(j,10):   Cross correlation score at best match
C               DBASE(j,11):   X predicted position
C               DBASE(j,12):   Y predicted position

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C DBASE(j,13): Reference update flag:
 C -1 ==> reset
 C 2 ==> set (perform reference update)
 C DBASE(j,14): Jitter test X score
 C DBASE(j,15): Jitter test Y score
 C DBASE(j,16): X coordinate from last frame
 C DBASE(j,17): Y coordinate from last frame
 C DCHISL, DCHISU Lower and upper thresholds for the local contrast histogram
 C computation
 C DCREFX, DCREFY Horizontal and vertical size of the reference array
 C DCSEX, DCSEY Horizontal and vertical size of the search array
 C DRANGE Change in slant range between each image (meters/frame)
 C FRATE Frame rate (seconds/frame)
 C HGREFX, HGREFY Horizontal and vertical size of the reference are used
 C to compute the local contrast
 C IMGCOLS, IMGROWS Image horizontal and vertical dimensions
 C IMGAIN Image global gain
 C LOSP, LOSY Pitch/Yaw line-of-sight angles (radians)
 C LOSRP, LOSRY Pitch/Yaw line-of-sight rates (radians/sec)
 C LUNN Logical unit number counter for tracker output
 C MAXACF Maximum number of autocorrelation function shape tests
 C MAXCONT Maximum number of local contrast tests
 C MAXP Number of parameters per tracker (==> DBASE(i,MAXP))
 C MAXT Maximum number of trackers allowed
 C (==>DBASE(MAXT,j))
 C MAXX, MAXY Maximum horizontal and vertical search area boundaries
 C MINX, MINY Minimum horizontal and vertical search area boundaries
 C NZSIGMA Standard deviation of the image noise
 C OLDRNG Previous target range
 C PIX_TO_RAD Pixels to radians conversion factor
 C PREDX, PREDY Floating point values for predicted tracker locations
 C RAD_TO_PIX Radians to pixels conversion factor
 C RANGE Slant range (meters)
 C RANGE_GOOD Range good indicator
 C REASONS Reason flags for why tracker was deleted or updated:
 C REASONS(1,x)- Tracker is out-of-bounds,
 C REASONS(2,x)- Tracker failed jitter test
 C REASONS(3,x)- Tracker failed trackability tests
 C REASONS(4,x)- Tracker reference update occurred
 C RESERRX,RESERY Correlation residual error (pixels)
 C RSIZEX, RSIZEY Real-value target size for limiting subimage search
 C SUMP, SUMY Pitch/ Yaw integrated line-of-sight (radians)
 C TGTSZX, TGTSZY Target size for limiting subimage search region
 C TPVARX, TPVARY Trackpoint measurement variance
 C TRACKX, TRACKY Horizontal and vertical position of the trackpoint
 C (0.0, 0.0 in upper left)
 C TRLUN Logical unit numbers for the existing trackers
 C VELOCITY Velocity of the platform (meters/second)

 Section G

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SUBROUTINE DBDEL (TRACKER)

NAME: DBDEL


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C   FUNCTION:   Deletes a tracker from the database
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C   DESCRIPTION:
C   Set the values of the tracker location to -1
C   Compute the location of the reference subimage in B memory
C   Clear the region of B memory used for the reference subimage
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C   REFERENCES:
C   None
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C   CALLING SEQUENCE:
C   Call DBDEL (TRACKER)
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C   INPUTS:
C   TRACKER - Index of tracker to delete
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C   OUTPUTS:
C   None
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C   DEPENDENCIES:
C   Common Blocks
C   ASPMEMYS - APAP A and B memories
C   PROCPARMS - Processing parameters
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C   SIDE EFFECTS:
C   None
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C   TARGET PROCESSOR:
C   VAX 8000 series VMS 4.5, Fortran Compiler 4.5 -219
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C   HISTORY:
C   11/08/88  R. Broussard  Initial Release
C   Local Variables
C   I,J      Loop counters
C   MXSTRT  Starting column of reference subimage in B memory
C   MYSTRT  Starting row of reference subimage in B memory
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C   Variable Declarations
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C   IMPLICIT NONE
C
C   INCLUDE 'COMMON: APMEMY. CMN!' APAP A and B memories
C   INCLUDE 'COMMON: PROGPARM. CMN!' Processing parameters
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C   INTEGER*2      I, J, MXSTRT, MYSTRT, TRACKER
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C   EXECUTABLE CODE


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C   Set the tracker indicator in the database to indicate available.
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C   DBASE( TRACKER,1) = -1
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C   Determine the location of the tracker in B memory.
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C       MXSTRT = MOD( TRACKER-1, 8) *16 +1
C       MYSTRT = (( TRACKER-1)/8 * 16 +1
C   Erase reference image and label from B memory.

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  DO J = 1, 16
    DO I = 1, 16
      DMEMORY( MXSTRT+I-1, MYSTRT+J-1) = 0
    END DO
  END DO

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C   For Debugging . . .
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D     CLOSE( UNIT=TRLUN( TRACKER))
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C   RETURN
C   END

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C   REAL*4 FUNCTION MEDIAN (VECTOR, NSAMPLES)
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C   NAME:      MEDIAN
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C   FUNCTION:   Computes the median of a vector of numbers.
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C   DESCRIPTION:
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C     Sort the input vector from smallest to largest
C     If the number of input samples is even Then
C       Median = average of two middle samples
C     Else the number of input samples is odd
C       Median = middle sample
C     End If
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C   REFERENCES:
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C     None
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C   CALLING SEQUENCE:
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C     MEDIAN_VALUE = MEDIAN (VECTOR, NSAMPLES)
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C   INPUTS:
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C     VECTOR   - Input vector containing samples to process
C     NSAMPLES - Number of samples in VECTOR
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C   OUTPUTS:
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C     MEDIAN - Output median value
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C   DEPENDENCIES:
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C     None
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C   SIDE EFFECTS:
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C     None
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C   TARGET PROCESSOR:
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C     VAX 8000 series VMS 4.5, Fortran Compiler 4.5-219
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C HISTORY:
 C 01/28/91 D. Van Rheeden Initial Release
 C 06/20/91 D. Van Rheeden Reduced outer sorting loop from N-1
 C samples to N/2+1 samples
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C Local Variables

C I, J Sorting loop counters
 C MIDDLE Address of middle value in the sorted input vector
 C TEMP Temporary storage used by sorting loops
 C
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C Variable Declarations

C IMPLICIT NONE
 C
 C INTEGER*2 I, J, MIDDLE, NSAMPLES
 C
 C REAL*4 TEMP, VECTOR (NSAMPLES)
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C EXECUTABLE CODE

C Sort the input vector from smallest to largest values.
 C

C DO I = 1, NSAMPLES/2+1
 C DO J = 2, NSAMPLES
 C IF (VECTOR(J) .LT. VECTOR(J-1)) THEN
 C TEMP = VECTOR(J-1)
 C VECTOR(J-1) = VECTOR(J)
 C VECTOR(J) = TEMP
 C END IF
 C END DO
 C END DO

C Compute the median. If the number of input samples is even, the
 C median is the average of the two middle samples. If the number of
 C samples is odd, the median is the middle sample.
 C

C IF (MOD(NSAMPLES,2) .EQ. 0) THEN
 C MIDDLE = NSAMPLES/2
 C MEDIAN = (VECTOR(MIDDLE) + VECTOR(MIDDLE+1)) / 2.0
 C ELSE
 C MIDDLE = NSAMPLES/2 + 1
 C MEDIAN = VECTOR(MIDDLE)
 C END IF

C RETURN
 C END

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DO I = 1, ROWS
  DO J = 1, COLS
    SUM(I,J) = M1(I,J) + M2(I,J)
  END DO
END DO

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RETURN
END

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SUBROUTINE MATSUB (M1, M2, DIFF, ROWS, COLS)

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NAME: MATSUB

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FUNCTION: Subtracts two matrices.

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DESCRIPTION:

Difference = matrix #1 - matrix #2.

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REFERENCES:

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CALLING SEQUENCE:

CALL MATSUB (M1, M2, DIFF, ROWS, COLS)

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INPUTS:

M1, M2 - Input matrices

ROWS, COLS - Matrix dimensions

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OUTPUTS:

DIFF - Output matrix difference

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DEPENDENCIES:

None

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SIDE EFFECTS:

None

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TARGET PROCESSOR:

VAX 8000 series VMS 4.5, Fortran Compiler 4.5-219

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HISTORY:

02/18/91 D. Van Rheeden Initial Release

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Local Variables

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I, J Matrix indexes

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Variable Declarations

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IMPLICIT NONE

INTEGER*2 COLS, I, J, ROWS

REAL*4 M1(ROWS,COLS), M2(ROWS,COLS), DIFF(ROWS,COLS)

EXECUTABLE CODE

Subtract the two input matrices.

```
DO I = 1, ROWS
  DO J = 1, COLS
    DIFF(I,J) = M1(I,J) + M2(I,J)
  END DO
END DO
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RETURN
END
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SUBROUTINE MATMULT (M1, M2, PROD, ROW1, COL1, ROW2, COL2)

NAME: MATMULT

FUNCTION: Multiplies two matrices.

DESCRIPTION:

If inner matrix dimensions do not match Then
Write status message to the user.
Exit from the program.
End if inner matrix dimensions do not match.
Product = matrix #1 * matrix #2.

REFERENCES:

CALLING SEQUENCE:

CALL MATMULT (M1, M2, PROD, ROW1, COL1, ROW2, COL2)

INPUTS:

M1, M2 - Input matrices
ROW1, COL1 - Input matrix M1 dimensions
ROW2, COL2 - Input matrix M2 dimensions

OUTPUTS:

PROD - Output matrix product

DEPENDENCIES:

EXIT - System exit routine

SIDE EFFECTS:

None


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C TARGET PROCESSOR:
C   VAX 8000 series VMS 4.5, Fortran Compiler 4.5-219
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C HISTORY:
C   02/18/91   D. Van Rheedem   Initial Release
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C Local Variables
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C   I, J, K   Matrix indexes
C   SUM      Product accumulator
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C Variable Declarations
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C   IMPLICIT NONE
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C   INTEGER*2 COL1, COL2, I, J, K, ROW1, ROW2
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C   REAL*4   M1(ROW1,COL1), M2(ROW2,COL2), PROD(ROW1,COL2),
C   &        SUM
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C EXECUTABLE CODE
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C   If the inner matrix dimensions do not agree, write a status message
C   and exit the program.
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C       IF ( COL1 .NE. ROW2 ) THEN
C         WRITE(6,*) ' Error in MATMULT
C   &   ' Inner matrix dimensions do not agree.'
C         CALL EXIT (0)
C       END IF
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C   Multiply the two input matrices.
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C       DO I = 1, ROW1
C         DO J = 1, COL2
C           SUM = 0.0
C           DO K = 1, COL1
C             SUM = SUM + M1(I,K) * M2(K,J)
C           END DO
C           PROD(I,J) = SUM
C         END DO
C       END DO
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C       RETURN
C       END
C

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C   SUBROUTINE MATCOPY ( M, COPY, ROWS, COLS )
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 C
 C NAME: MATCOPY
 C
 C FUNCTION: Copies a matrix.
 C
 C DESCRIPTION:
 C Copy the input matrix to the output matrix.
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 C REFERENCES:
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 C CALLING SEQUENCE:
 C CALL MATCOPY (M, COPY, ROWS, COLS)
 C
 C INPUTS:
 C M - Input matrix
 C ROWS, COLS - Matrix dimensions
 C
 C OUTPUTS:
 C COPY - Copy of the input matrix
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 C DEPENDENCIES:
 C None
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 C SIDE EFFECTS:
 C None
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 C TARGET PROCESSOR:
 C VAX 8000 series VMS 4.5, Fortran Compiler 4.5-219
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 C HISTORY:
 C 02/18/91 D. Van Rheeden Initial Release
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Local Variables

I, J Matrix indexes

Variable Declarations

IMPLICIT NONE

INTEGER*2 COLS, I, J, ROWS

REAL*4 M(ROWS, COLS), COPY(ROWS, COLS)

EXECUTABLE CODE

Copy the input matrix into the output matrix.

DO I = 1, ROWS
 DO J = 1, COLS


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        COPY(LJ) = M(I,J)
      END DO
    END DO

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    RETURN
  END

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SUBROUTINE MATTRAN (M, TRANS, ROWS, COLS)

NAME: MATTRAN

FUNCTION: Transposes a matrix.

DESCRIPTION: Transpose the input matrix.

REFERENCES:

CALLING SEQUENCE:

CALL MATTRAN (M, TRANS, ROWS, COLS)

INPUTS:

M - Input matrix

ROWS, COLS - Matrix dimensions

OUTPUTS:

TRANS - Output matrix difference

DEPENDENCIES:

None

SIDE EFFECTS:

None

TARGET PROCESSOR:

VAX 8000 series VMS 4.5, Fortran Compiler 4.5-219

HISTORY:

02/18/91 D. Van Rheeden Initial Release

Local Variables

I, J Matrix indexes

Variable Declarations

IMPLICIT NONE

INTEGER*2 COLS, I, J, ROWS

C
 C REAL*4 M(ROWS,COLS), TRANS(ROWS,COLS)
 C
 C

C EXECUTABLE CODE
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C Transpose the input matrix.
 C

DO I = 1, ROWS
 DO J = 1, COLS
 TRANS(J,I) = M(I,J)
 END DO
 END DO

C RETURN
 C END
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C SUBROUTINE MATDET (M, DET, WORK, ROWS, COLS)
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C NAME: MATDET
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C FUNCTION: Computes the determinant of a square matrix.
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C DESCRIPTION:

If the input matrix is not square Then
 Write status message to the user.
 Exit from the program.
 End if input matrix is not square.
 Copy input matrix into temporary work array.
 Decompose the matrix into lower/upper (LU) form.
 Determinant = product of LU matrix diagonal elements.

C REFERENCES:
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C CALLING SEQUENCE:

CALL MATDET (M, DET, WORK, ROWS, COLS)

C INPUTS:

M - Input matrix
 ROWS, COLS - Matrix dimensions
 WORK - Temporary work array

C OUTPUTS:

DET - Output matrix determinant

C DEPENDENCIES:

EXIT - System exit routine
 MATLUD - Lower/Upper (LU) matrix decomposition
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C SIDE EFFECTS:
C   A copy should be made of the input matrix unless the user
C   desires to use the LU decomposed matrix.
C
C TARGET PROCESSOR:
C   VAX 8000 series VMS 4.5, Fortran Compiler 4.5-219
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C HISTORY:
C   02/18/91  D. Van Rheeden  Initial Release
C
C-----
C Local Variables
C
C   L J      Matrix indexes
C   INDX     LU decomposition backsubstitution index vector
C
C-----
C Variable Declarations
C
C   IMPLICIT NONE
C
C   INTEGER*2  COLS, I, INDX(50), J, ROWS
C
C   REAL*4     DET, M(ROWS,COLS), WORK(ROWS,COLS)
C
C-----
C
C   EXECUTABLE CODE
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C
C   If the input matrix is not square then write a status message and
C   exit the program.
C
C       IF ( ROWS .NE. COLS ) THEN
C           WRITE (6,*) ' Error in MATDET ...
C           & ' Cannot compute determinant of a 'nonsquare matrix.'
C           CALL EXIT (0)
C       END IF
C
C   Copy input matrix into temporary work array.
C
C       CALL MATCOPY ( M, WORK, ROWS, COLS)
C
C   Decompose the input matrix into lower/upper (LU) form.
C
C       CALL MATLUD ( WORK, ROWS, COLS, INDX, DET )
C
C   Compute determinant as the product of the diagonal elements of
C   the LU decomposed matrix. The return value DET from MATLUD
C   determines the sign of the determinant.
C
C       DO J = 1, ROWS
C           DET = DET + WORK(J,J)
C       END DO
C
C   RETURN
C   END

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 SUBROUTINE MATINV (M, INV, WORK, ROWS, COLS)

NAME: MATINV

FUNCTION: Inverts a square matrix.

DESCRIPTION:

If the input matrix is not square Then
 Write status message to the user.
 Exit from the program.
 End if input matrix into the work array.
 Copy input matrix into the work array.
 Decompose the matrix into lower/upper (LU) form.
 Do backsubstitution of the LU decomposed matrix one row
 at a time.

 REFERENCES:

CALLING SEQUENCE:

CALL MATINV (M, INV, WORK, ROWS, COLS)

INPUTS:

M - Input matrix
 ROWS, COLS - Matrix dimensions
 WORK - Temporary work space matrix

OUTPUTS:

M - LU decomposition of the input matrix
 INV - Output inverse matrix

DEPENDENCIES:

EXIT - System exit routine
 MATLUB - Lower/Upper (LU) matrix backsubstitution
 MATLUD - Lower/Upper (LU) matrix decomposition

SIDE EFFECTS:

None

TARGET PROCESSOR:

VAX 8000 series VMS 4.5, Fortran Compiler 4.5-219

HISTORY:

 02/18/91 D. Van Rheedem Initial Release

Local Variables

L, J Matrix indexes

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C      INDX      LU decomposition backsubstitution index vector
C      SIGN      LU decomposition return sign
C      V         LU backsubstitution solution vector

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Variable Declarations

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C      IMPLICIT NONE
C
C      INTEGER*2  COLS, I, INDX(50), J, ROWS
C
C      REAL*4     INV(ROWS,COLS), M(ROWS,COLS), SIGN, V(50),
&      WORK(ROWS,COLS)

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EXECUTABLE CODE

If the input matrix is not square then write a status message and exit the program.

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C      IF ( ROWS .NE. COLS ) THEN
C          WRITE(6,*) ' Error in MATINV...',
C          ' Cannot invert a nonsquare matrix. '
C          CALL EXIT (0)
C      END IF

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Copy input matrix into the work array.

```

C      CALL MATCOPY ( M, WORK, ROWS, COLS, )

```

Decompose the input matrix into lower/upper (LU) form.

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C      CALL MATLUD ( WORK, ROWS, COLS, INDX, SIGN )

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Perform backsubstitution of the LU decomposed matrix one row at a time.

```

C      DO J = 1, COLS
C          DO I = 1, ROWS
C              V(I) = 0
C          END DO
C          V(J) = 1.0
C          CALL MATLUB ( WORK, ROWS, COLS, INDX, V )
C          DO I = 1, ROWS
C              INV(I,J) = V(I)
C          END DO
C      END DO

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C      RETURN
C      END

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SUBROUTINE MATLUD (M, ROWS, COLS, INDX, SIGN)

C NAME: MATLUD

C FUNCTION: Matrix Lower/Upper (LU) decomposition.

C DESCRIPTION:

C If the input matrix is not square Then

C Write status message to the user.

C Exit from the program.

C End if input matrix is not square.

C Decompose the matrix into lower/upper (LU) form.

C REFERENCES:

C CALLING SEQUENCE:

C CALL MATLUD (M, ROWS, COLS, INDX, SIGN)

C INPUTS:

C M - Input matrix

C ROWS, COLS - Matrix dimensions

C OUTPUTS:

C M - LU decomposition of the input matrix

C INDX - Backsubstitution index vector

C SIGN - LU decomposition return sign (+-1)

C DEPENDENCIES:

C EXIT - System exit routine

C SIDE EFFECTS:

C None

C TARGET PROCESSOR:

C VAX 8000 series VMS 4.5, Fortran Compiler 4.5-219

C HISTORY:

C 02/18/91 D. Van Rheeden Initial Release

C Local Variables

C BIG Input matrix element with largest magnitude

C DUM Dummy argument used for temporary storage

C I, J, K Matrix loop indexes

C IMAX Decomposition index values saved in INDX vector

C SUM Intermediate sum

C TINY Small number used to prevent divides by zero

C VV Pivot vector

C Variable Declarations

C IMPLICIT NONE

C INTEGER*2 COLS, I, IMAX, INDX(50), J, K, ROWS

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C
REAL*4  BIG, DUM, M(ROWS, COLS), SIGN, SUM, TINY/1.0e-20/, VV(50)
C
C
C-----*
C          EXECUTABLE CODE
C-----*
C
C  If the input matrix is not square then write a status message and
C  exit the program.
C
      IF ( ROWS .NE. COLS ) THEN
        WRITE(6,*) ' Error in MATLUD...',
&      ' Cannot decompose a nonsquare matrix. '
        CALL EXIT (0)
      END IF
C
C  Decompose the input matrix into lower/upper (LU) form.
C
      SIGN = 1.0
C
      DO 1 = 1, ROWS
        BIG = 0.0
        DO J = 1, COLS
          IF ( ABS( M(I,J) ) .GT. BIG ) BIG = ABS( M(I,J) )
        END DO
        IF ( BIG .EQ. 0.0 ) THEN
          WRITE(6,*) ' Error in MATLUD...',
&      ' Matrix is singular.'
          CALL EXIT (0)
        END IF
        VV(I) = 1.0 / BIG
      END DO
C
      DO J = 1, ROWS
        IF ( J .GT. 1 ) THEN
          DO I = 1, J-1
            SUM = M(I,J)
            IF ( I .GT. 1 ) THEN
              DO K = 1, I-1
                SUM = SUM - M(I,K) + M(K,J)
              END DO
            M(I,J) = SUM
          END IF
        END DO
      END IF
C
      BIG = 0.0
C
      DO I = J, ROWS
        SUM = M(I,J)
C
      IF ( J .GT. 1 ) THEN
        DO K = 1, J-1
          SUM = SUM - M(I,K) + M(K,J)
        END DO
        M(I,J) = SUM
      END IF

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C
C   DUM = VV(I) * ABS(SUM)
C
C   IF (DUM .GT. BIG) THEN
C     BIG = DUM
C     IMAX = I
C   END IF
C END DO
C
C IF (J .NE. IMAX) THEN
C   DO K = 1, ROWS
C     DUM = M(IMAX,K)
C     M(IMAX,K) = M(J,K)
C     M(J,K) = DUM
C   END DO
C   SIGN = -SIGN
C   VV(IMAX) = VV(J)
C END IF
C
C   INDX(J) = IMAX
C
C   IF ( J .LT. COLS ) THEN
C     IF ( M(J,J) .EQ. 0.0 ) M(J,J) = TINY
C     DUM = 1.0 / M(J,J)
C     DO I = J+1, ROWS
C       M(I,J) = M(I,J) * DUM
C     END DO
C   END IF
C
C END DO
C
C IF ( M(ROWS,COLS) .EQ. 0.0 ) M(ROWS,COLS) = TINY
C
C RETURN
C END

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C
C SUBROUTINE MATLUB ( M, ROWS, COLS, INDX, BCK )
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C
C NAME:  MATLUB
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C
C FUNCTION:  Lower/Upper (LU) decomposed matrix backsubstitution
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C DESCRIPTION:
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C   If the input matrix is not square Then
C   Write status message to the user.
C   Exit from the program.
C   End if input matrix is not square.
C   Perform the backsubstitution.
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C REFERENCES:
C

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C
C CALLING SEQUENCE:
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C   CALL MATLUB ( M, ROWS, COLS, INDX, BCK )
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C INPUTS:
C
C     M           - Input matrix
C     ROWS, COLS - Matrix dimensions
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C OUTPUTS:
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C     M           - LU decomposition of the input matrix
C     INDX        - Backsubstitution index vector
C     BCK         - Backsubstitution vector for current row
C
C DEPENDENCIES:
C     EXIT        - System exit routine
C
C SIDE EFFECTS:
C     The input matrix must be an LU decomposed matrix.
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C TARGET PROCESSOR:
C     VAX 8000 series VMS 4.5, Fortran Compiler 4.5-219
C
C HISTORY:
C     02/18/91  D. Van Rheeden  Initial Release
C
C-----
C Local Variables
C
C     I, J        Matrix/vector indexes
C     II         Nonzero backsubstitution sum index
C     IP         Pointer into the INDX vector
C     SUM        Intermediate sum
C
C-----
C Variable Declarations
C
C     IMPLICIT NONE
C
C     INTEGER*2  COLS, I, II, IP, INDX(50), J, ROWS
C
C     REAL*4     BCK(50), M(ROWS,COLS), SUM
C
C-----
C EXECUTABLE CODE
C-----
C
C     If the input matrix is not square then write a status message and
C     exit the program.
C
C         IF ( ROWS .NE. COLS ) THEN
C             WRITE (6,*) ' Error in MATLUB... ',
C             & ' Cannot do backsubstitution on a nonsquare matrix. '
C             CALL EXIT (0)
C         END IF
C
C Perform the backsubstitution.
C
C     II = 0

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C

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DO I = 1, ROWS
  IP = INDX(I)
  SUM = BCK(IP)
  BCK(IP) = BCK(I)
  IF ( II .NE. 0 ) THEN
    DO J = II, I-1
      SUM = SUM - M(I,J) * BCK(J)
    END DO
  ELSE IF ( SUM .NE. 0.0 ) THEN
    II = I
  END IF
  BCK(I) = SUM
END DO

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DO I = ROWS, 1, -1
  SUM = BCK(I)
  IF ( I .LT. ROWS ) THEN
    DO J = I+1, COLS
      SUM = SUM - M(I,J) * BCK(J)
    END DO
  END IF
  BCK(I) = SUM / M(I,I)
END DO

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RETURN
END

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SUBROUTINE VECADD (V1, V2, SUM, COLS)

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NAME: VECADD

FUNCTION: Adds two vectors.

DESCRIPTION:

Sum = vector #1 + vector #2.

REFERENCES:

CALLING SEQUENCE:

CALL VECADD (V1, V2, SUM, COLS)

INPUTS:

V1, V2 - Input vectors

COLS - Vector dimensions

OUTPUTS

SUM - Output vector sum

DEPENDENCIES:

None


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C INPUTS:
C   V1, V2 - Input vectors
C   COLS  - Vector dimensions
C
C OUTPUTS:
C   DIFF  - Output vector difference
C
C DEPENDENCIES:
C   None
C
C SIDE EFFECTS:
C   None
C
C TARGET PROCESSOR:
C   VAX 8000 series VMS 4.5, Fortran Compiler 4.5-219C
C
C HISTORY:
C   02/18/91 D. Van Rheeden Initial Release
C
C Local Variables
C
C           Vector index

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Variable Declarations

IMPLICIT NONE

INTEGER*2 COLS, I

REAL*4 V1(COLS), V2(COLS), DIFF(COLS)

EXECUTABLE CODE

Subtract the two input vectors.

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      DO I = 1, COLS
        DIFF(I) = V1(I) - V2(I)
      END DO

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      RETURN
      END

```

SUBROUTINE VECMULT (V1, V2, PROD, COL1, COL2)

NAME: VECMULT

FUNCTION: Multiplies two vectors to give the inner product.

DESCRIPTION:

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      If inner vector dimensions do not match Then
      Write status message to the user.
      Exit from the program.

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C End if inner vector dimensions do not match.
 C Inner product = vector #1 (transposed) * vector #2.
 C

C REFERENCES:
 C

C CALLING SEQUENCE:
 C

C CALL VECMULT (V1, V2, PROD, COL1, COL2)
 C

C INPUTS:
 C

C V1, V2 - Input vectors
 C COL1 - Input vector V1 dimensions
 C COL2 - Input vector V2 dimensions
 C

C OUTPUTS:
 C

C PROD - Output vector inner product
 C

C DEPENDENCIES:
 C

C EXIT - System exit routine
 C

C SIDE EFFECTS:
 C

C None
 C

C TARGET PROCESSOR:
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C VAX 8000 series VMS 4.5, Fortran Compiler 4.5-219
 C

C HISTORY:
 C

C 02/18/91 D. Van Rheeden Initial Release
 C

C Local Variables
 C

C I Vector index
 C

C Variable Declarations
 C

C IMPLICIT NONE
 C

C INTEGER*2 COL1, COL2, I
 C

C REAL*4 V1(COL1), V2(COL2), PROD
 C

C EXECUTABLE CODE
 C

C If the vector dimensions do not agree, write a status message
 C and exit the program.
 C

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      IF ( COL1 .NE. COL2 ) THEN
        WRITE (6,*) ' Error in VECMULT... ',
&      ' Vector dimensions do not agree. '
        CALL EXIT (0)
      END IF
  
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C
C Multiply the two input vectors.
C
    PROD = 0.0
    DO I = 1, COL1
      PROD = PROD + V1(I) * V2(I)
    END DO
C
    RETURN
    END

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SUBROUTINE MVMULT (M, V, PROD, ROW1, COL1, COL2)

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C NAME: MVMULT
C
C FUNCTION: Multiplies a matrix by a vector.
C
C DESCRIPTION:
C   If matrix column dimension does not match vector
C   dimension Then
C   Write status message to the user.
C   Exit from the program.
C   End if dimensions do not match.
C   Product = matrix * vector.

```

REFERENCES:

CALLING SEQUENCE:

CALL MVMULT (M, V, PROD, ROW1, COL1, COL2)

INPUTS:

M - Input matrix
V - Input vector
ROW1, COL1 - Input matrix M dimensions
COL2 - Input vector V dimensions

OUTPUTS:

PROD - Output vector = M * V

DEPENDENCIES:

EXIT - System exit routine

SIDE EFFECTS:

None

TARGET PROCESSOR:

VAX 8000 series VMS 4.5, Fortran Compiler 4.5-219

HISTORY:

02/18/91 D. Van Rheeden Initial Release

Local Variables

C I, J Matrix/vector index
 C SUM Product accumulator
 C
 C

C Variable Declarations
 C

C IMPLICIT NONE
 C

C INTEGER*2 COL1, COL2, I, J, ROW1
 C

C REAL*4 M(ROW1, COL1), V(COL2), PROD(ROW1), SUM
 C
 C

C EXECUTABLE CODE *
 C *
 C *
 C

C If the matrix column dimension do not match the vector
 C dimension, write a status message and exit the program.
 C
 C
 C

C IF (COL1 .NE. COL2) THEN
 C WRITE (6,*) ' Error in MVMULT... ',
 C & ' Matrix column and vector dimensions do not agree. '
 C CALL EXIT (0)
 C END IF
 C

C Multiply the input matrix by the input vector.
 C

C DO I = 1, ROW1
 C SUM = 0.0
 C DO J = 1, COL1
 C SUM = SUM + M(I,J) * V(J)
 C END DO
 C PROD(I) = SUM
 C END DO
 C

C RETURN
 C END
 C
 C
 C

C SUBROUTINE VMMULT (V, M, PROD, ROW1, ROW2, COL2)
 C
 C

C NAME: VMMULT
 C

C FUNCTION: Multiplies a vector by a matrix.
 C

C DESCRIPTION:

C If vector dimension does not match matrix row dimension C Then
 C Write status message to the user.
 C Exit from the program.
 C End if dimensions do not match.
 C Product = vector * matrix.
 C

C REFERENCES:
 C
 C

CALLING SEQUENCE:

CALL VMMULT (V, M, PROD, ROW1, ROW2, COL2)

INPUTS:

V - Input vector
 M - Input matrix
 ROW1 - Input vector V dimension
 ROW 2, COL2 - Input matrix M dimensions

OUTPUTS:

PROD - Output vector = $V^T \cdot M$

DEPENDENCIES:

EXIT - System exit routine

SIDE EFFECTS:

None

TARGET PROCESSOR:

VAX 8000 series VMS 4.5, Fortran Compiler 4.5-219

HISTORY:

02/18/91 D. Van Rheeden Initial Release

Local Variables

I, J Matrix/vector indexes
 SUM Product accumulator

Variable Declarations

IMPLICIT NONE

INTEGER*2 COL2, I, J, ROW1, ROW2

REAL*4 V(ROW1), M(ROW2,COL2), PROD(COL2), SUM

EXECUTABLE CODE

If the vector dimension does not match the matrix row C dimension, then write a status message and exit the program.

```
IF ( ROW1 .NE. ROW2 ) THEN
  WRITE (6,*) ' Error in VMMULT... '
  & 'Vector dimension does not agree with matrix" row dimension.'
  CALL EXIT (0)
END IF
```

Multiply the input vector by the input matrix.

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DO J = 1, COL2
  SUM = 0.0
  DO I = 1, ROW1
    SUM = SUM + V(I) * M(I,J)
  END DO
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PROD(J) = SUM
END DO
```

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RETURN
END
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Although the present invention and its advantages have been described in detail, it should be understood that various changes, substitutions and alterations can be made herein without departing from the spirit and scope of the invention as defined by the appended claims.

What is claimed is:

1. A method for estimating the location of an aimpoint on an elongate target comprising the steps of: acquiring an aimpoint and a set of related subimages on an elongate target at a first time with a sensor; calculating the normalized distance in a first dimension d_x and in a second dimension d_y from each subimage to the aimpoint; at a second time reacquiring at least one of the subimages at an image position (x,y) ; and estimating the position of the aimpoint at an aimpoint image position (x_A,y_A) wherein the position (x,y) of each subimage at the second time is related to the aimpoint position (x_A,y_A) by the formulas:

$$x = x_A + M_0 d_x + b d_x d_y$$

$$y = y_A + M_0 d_y + b d_y^2$$

where M_0 , b are constants determined at each periodic time.

2. The method of claim 1 wherein said estimating step further comprises the step of calculating the subsequent location of the aimpoint using a least squares technique on a matrix of normalized subimage distances.

3. The method of claim 1 wherein said selecting step further comprises the step of selecting a subimage using the criteria of subimage contrast.

4. The method of claim 1 wherein said selecting step further comprises the step of selecting a subimage using the criteria of subimage brightness.

5. A tracker for tracking the location of an aimpoint on an elongate target comprising: an aimpoint designator for establishing an aimpoint at an image position (x_A, y_A) on an elongate target; a sensor for periodically acquiring a set of subimages at an image position (x,y) arbitrarily associated with the aimpoint; a normalized distance calculator responsive to the

aimpoint designator and the sensor for calculating the distance in a first dimension d_x and in a second dimension d_y from each subimage of a first set of subimages from the established aimpoint;

a processor coupled to the aimpoint designator, the sensor and the normalized distance calculator for periodically estimating the subsequent location of the aimpoint based upon the formulas:

$$x = x_A + M_0 d_x + b d_x d_y$$

$$y = y_A + M_0 d_y + b d_y^2$$

where M_0 and b are constants determined at each periodic time; and memory for storing the normalized distances.

6. The guidance system of claim 5, further comprising a control system for moving the sensor towards each of the subsequent locations of the aimpoint.

7. A missile comprising: an aimpoint designator for establishing an aimpoint at an image position (x_A, y_A) on an elongate target; a sensor for periodically acquiring a set of subimages at an image position (x,y) arbitrarily associated with the aimpoint;

a normalized distance calculator responsive to the aimpoint designator and the sensor for calculating the distance in a first dimension d_x and in a second dimension d_y from each subimage of a first set of subimages from the established aimpoint;

a processor coupled to the aimpoint designator, the sensor and the normalized distance calculator for periodically estimating the subsequent location (x_A, y_A) of the aimpoint based upon the formulas:

$$x = x_A + M_0 d_x + b d_x d_y$$

$$y = y_A + M_0 d_y + b d_y^2$$

where M_0 and b are constants determined at each periodic time;

memory coupled to the processor for storing the normalized distances;

movable fins for guiding the missile responsive to the estimated aimpoints; and

a motor for propelling the missile.

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